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Election results put new faces on council, board

By JIMMY MYERS
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Tuesday's election filled five vacant seats on the City Council and School Board.

Bryan Twaddle and Brad Lager were elected to three-year terms, and Amy Klaas was elected to a one-year term on the City Council.

Twaddle said he was happy with the election and the people who were elected.

"Getting Brad and Amy in there, some young candidates, brings it wide open for some

good ideas," Twaddle said.

He said the first issue he will deal with is the municipalization of trash. The Council will have to work on lowering tipping fees to bring revenue back to Maryville. Twaddle also pointed to working on city streets and taking some of the traffic flow off Main Street as issues he expects to deal with.

Lager agreed with Twaddle on the trash issue and said he has talked to local haulers about what they would like to happen. Lager said another issue he expects to arise is the development of a

Mozingo Lake Board.

"City Council has had so much going on that they need another board," Lager said. "Especially with the trash issue, the lake has been left to the side. The lake has really grown and prospered, and now it's time to have a Board for it."

Mark Jelavich and David Boyles were elected to the School Board. Their terms begin immediately and will last three years.

Boyles said he was happy with the results, and he felt honored the community thought he was worthy to help take care of the

school system and the children.

"It was a close race," Boyles said. "We had a lot of good candidates."

Boyles said the growing pains would come with the new superintendent, but he is confident the end result will be positive.

"The best thing to do is let him get settled and find his way through," Boyles said. "I'm sure he'll have a lot of questions and I'll try to be there to help answer them for him."

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BRYAN TWADDLE
NEW CITY COUNCIL MEMBER



BRAD LAGER
NEW CITY COUNCIL MEMBER



DAVID BOYLES
NEW SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER



MARK JELAVICH
NEW SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

Northwest signs deal with Gateway

By SARA SITZMAN
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

A \$1.5 million computer-upgrade deal was made Friday between Northwest and Gateway.

The agreement calls for a new computer for every residence hall room and public computer lab, an estimate of 2,100 computers.

The new systems will be the Gateway E1600 model and will include a Pentium III processor. The machines will have 933 megahertz, allowing them to go nine times faster than the current computers, and 128 megabytes of memory. Other features include Windows 2000 and an Internet connection two times faster.

The new computers are possible thanks to a \$1 fee increase and a prior survey in which 89 percent of students supported the increase for the upgrade.

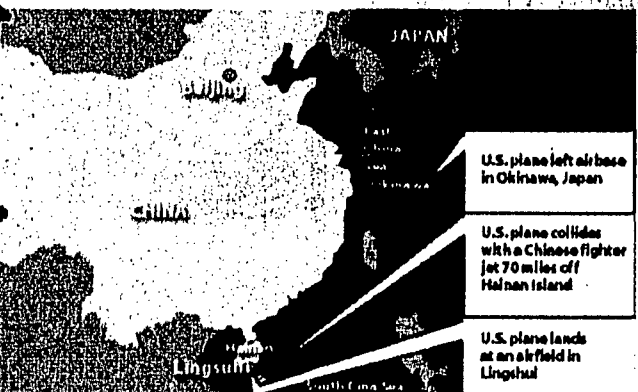
"This follows the quality concepts of Northwest and the use of student feedback in making decisions," Rickman said.

The computers are warranted for three years, which matches the funding cycle. President Dean Hubbard said he hoped to go four years with them though.

"We'll have to see what happens," Hubbard said. "This is a very rapidly changing field."

Installation of the new computers will begin this summer. Temporary staff positions will be available to install the units. The project will take about six weeks and six to seven students are needed.

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Tensions rise between United States, China

By TRISHA THOMPSON
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United States and Chinese relations have strained because a U.S. Navy spy plane struggled to land safely after colliding with one of the two Chinese F-8 fighters that were trailing it Sunday.

The plane and crew members are being held by China, according to CNN.com. U.S. diplomats met Tuesday with the crew who said they were being held two to a room in a military guest house on the island of Hainan in the South China Sea. The pilot is being kept by himself.

One main concern for the United States is whether the crew had time to completely destroy or disable sensitive data and encryption software in the 15 minutes between collision and landing. A final radio transmission from the landed crew said they were beginning the procedure of destroying and erasing computer tapes on the plane.

U.S. diplomats could not ask them how much of the procedure they completed, because Chinese authorities were always present at the meetings.

Meanwhile, President George Bush warned China that not releasing the crew could hurt United States-Chinese relations. Kevin Buterbaugh, assistant professor of political science, agrees.

"If I were advising the president, I would tell him to be careful in what he does," Buterbaugh said. "We could be creating an enemy."

Buterbaugh said it is a complex situation and the United States would be better off taking a soft stance.

China calls itself the "victim" in the matter. Chinese authorities also asserted a right to inspect the aircraft, demanded an apology and called on the United States to end surveillance flights off their coast.

According to CNN.com, Chinese have removed some sensitive equipment from the plane, an indication that China has no intention of surrendering the plane anytime soon.

Buterbaugh said he is not surprised with Chinese actions.

"If the rival aircraft landed in the United States, we would strip it bare," Buterbaugh said.

One of the Chinese F-8 fighter jets crashed into the South China Sea and its pilot is missing.

The Bush administration has no plans to apologize to China for the collision.

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Eye of the Storm

Weather fascination develops into storm photography hobby for Northwest instructor

By LAURA PEARL
CHIEF REPORTER

Crooked clusters of lightning fill three picture frames decorating a wall of his office.

He tries to keep his Nikon FG camera loaded with film and his car filled with gas during the spring and summer seasons, and he does not hesitate to lose sleep for the chance to chase a good storm.

And yet Jeff Bradley devotes the majority of his time to the indoors as a geology/geography instructor at Northwest.

He spends his days talking about the earth and its atmosphere rather than tracking storms across local landscapes, and he talks about spectacular weather more often than he sees it in action.

In fact, Bradley realizes that tracking and photographing severe weather is no more than a hobby for him at this point in time.

He does not care, as long as he gets the chance to talk about the workings of storms and as long as he can occasionally come home from a day of teaching, grab his camera and take off into the country for a night of storm chasing.

"I love to storm chase," Bradley said. "I love to go out there and watch things really unfold and try to capture that on film as much as I can."

Although teaching is an indoor profession, Bradley nonetheless applies much of what he learns out in the field to the classroom.

"I just love talking about earth science in general," Bradley said. "I like to go out there and learn as much as I can, to just firsthand go out and observe and try to catch something in photographs and bring it back to a class. I think it helps sometimes sharing some personal stories along the way."

For Bradley, weather fascination began at an early age. As a child, storms petrified him, making him hole up in his basement at the slightest signs of turbulent weather.

After a tornado passed through the center of his hometown of Pleasant Hill when he was in fifth grade, this fear evolved into an interest.

Bradley said he did not know why he began to like storms, but his interest grew to fascination by the time he was a senior in high school. As a senior, he purchased the Nikon FG camera he uses today, and this new "toy" inspired his first excursion.

"I was just kind of playing around and seeing what I could do, really," Bradley said.

During one of his first storm chases that same year, Bradley captured his first successful picture, a picture long since lost but one that he said he will never forget.

"I've learned a lot through the years through just trial and error," Bradley said. "I've wasted a lot of film, and I sometimes have 50 or 60 bad pictures to every one good picture. That first picture by some chance turned out to be one of my best, and I think it really got me started storm chasing."

Bradley continues to perfect his storm photography, drawing from professionals and developing his own set of storm-chasing standards.

Last year, Bradley spent some time with the world's only full-time professional storm chaser, Warren Fairley. Author of books such as "Storm Chase — In Pursuit of Untamed Skies" and "Eye of the Storm," Fairley taught Bradley the value of using slide film to capture lightning in action.

Bradley has learned to position himself so storms come toward him, rather than chasing the tail end of

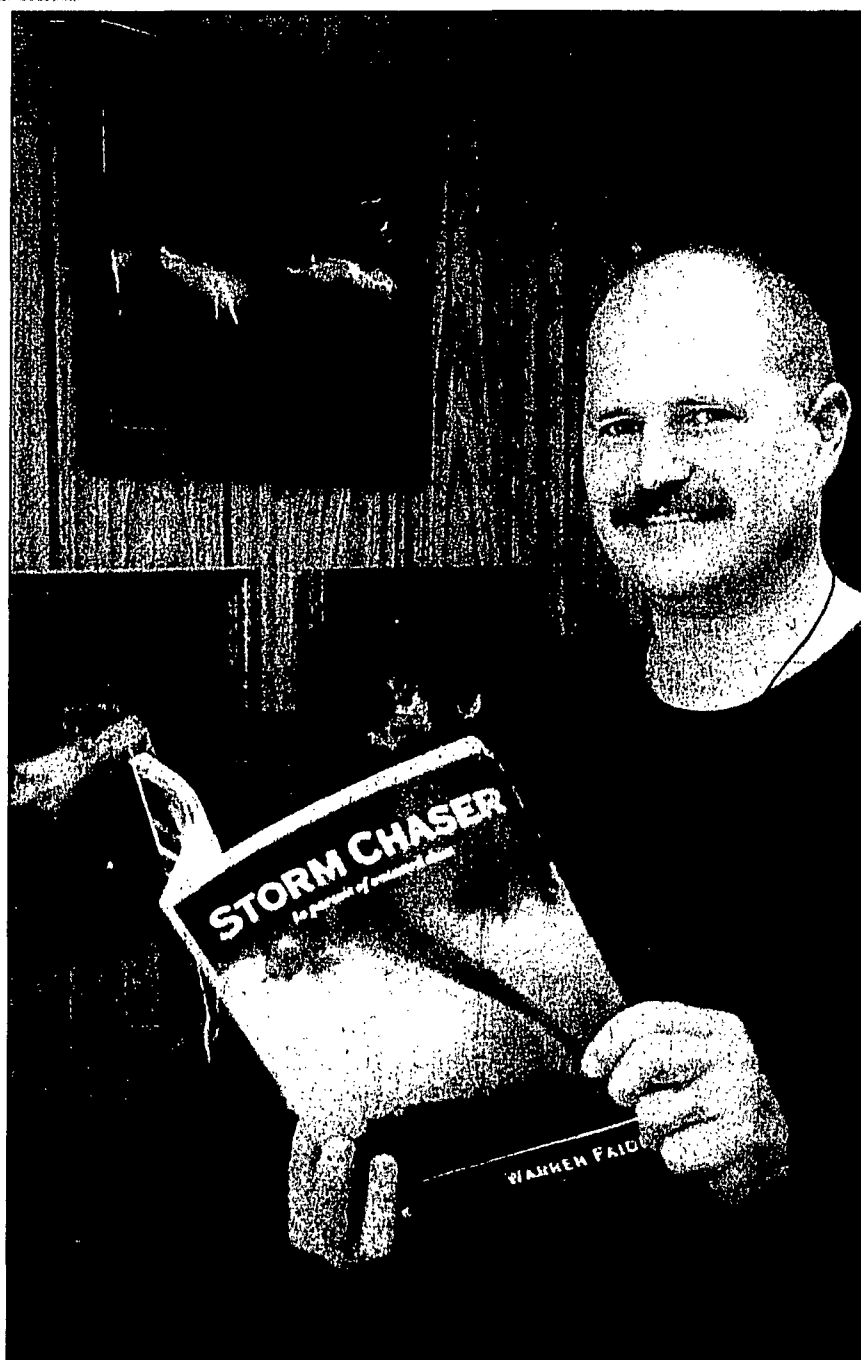


PHOTO BY MELISSA GALITZ/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
While most head for the basement during a severe weather watch, Jeff Bradley grabs his car keys and a roll of film. "I have always been impressed by nature's power and severe weather is one of the best examples of that power," said Bradley.

them. He uses a tripod, slow film and timed exposures so he can capture several seconds of lightning in one area.

Most of all, Bradley avoids lightning, a force he is in awe of even after 17 years of storm photography.

"My rule of thumb is, if I can hear thunder, I try to back off from the storm a little bit."

Bradley's wife, Gina, executive secretary in the department of communication and marketing, has seen her husband's storm fascination firsthand through the years. When he was working on his master's degree at Oklahoma State University in 1990, Gina said he once left the house when she was three months pregnant to track a tornado.

He has instilled a thrill for weather watching in his son, now ten years old, and he often leaves at late night and early morning hours to pursue his storm photography, Gina said.

Gina trusts her husband's common sense and knowledge when he is following storms, and he likewise trusts her storm knowledge and safety, she said.

"It's really exciting for him to have something he has such a passion for," Gina said. "It's nice to see him get so

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JEFF BRADLEY
GEOLOGY/GEOGRAPHY INSTRUCTOR

fired up about storms. I don't expect a lot of protection from him at those times, and I don't worry about him being out in storms, because he is so sensible."

Bradley does not consider himself a professional storm chaser or Mother Nature brings.

"When it comes to the severe weather, especially, it's just kind of awesome to me to see a storm that's just materialized out of nothing," Bradley said. "It's still kind of mysterious to me, I guess, even though I've learned a lot and studied a lot about weather."

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Graduation appeal OK'd

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CHIEF REPORTER

Faculty Senate voted Wednesday in favor of allowing four students to walk at spring commencement because of special circumstances.

The decision came after two students appealed to the Board of Regents March 27 on a previous decision denying them the chance to walk in the ceremony.

Recreation majors Mindy Lager and Betsy Liebsch wrote letters to the Board explaining their situation. Lager and Liebsch explained their internship requirements interfere with summer commencement.

Summer commencement is scheduled for Thursday, July 26, before the fourth summer session is completed. With the commencement on a weekday and before the end of their internships, the women wanted to participate in the spring ceremony.

"These have been allowed because of their extenuating circumstances," Faculty Senate President Laura Widmer said. "I just don't want to open up a floodgate."

Widmer said no policy was adopted because there is a procedure in place. The students were not advised to go to the correct committee, which is the Faculty Senate Admissions and Advanced Standing Committee, but they were not penalized for that, Widmer said.

Liebsch was happy about the decision.

"This will make it less of a hardship for me and my family," Liebsch said.

The Faculty Senate also recognized its new president at Wednesday's meeting and voted on the president elect for next year.

Doug Dunham, an assistant professor of psychology and sociology, was named president, and Greg Hadcock, an assistant professor of geology and geography, was named president-elect.

Dunham said the issue of academic dishonesty is under discussion.

"With the innovation of technology, technology in the classroom, and online courses, there are new kinds of academic dishonesty," Dunham said.

The academic dishonesty policy was stated differently in the University catalog than in the student handbook. Dunham said the new policy will make the issue clearer.

"We're making it so the student understands it exactly," Dunham said. "We're making sure it's more student friendly so they understand the procedure if they are failed for academic dishonesty."

The Senate passed a revision of the new academic dishonesty policy that gives students 10 days to appeal a charge of dishonesty and gives instructors a set of guidelines to follow when they find a student cheating.

The Senate also passed a motion to appoint a faculty member to the Board of Regents. The Senate will elect three nominees who will be submitted to Governor Bob Holden. The governor will then appoint one of the nominees to the Board of Regents.

Also in Wednesday's session, Senators Jim Walker and Rick Frucht presented a proposal to help replace commencement marshals. The proposal, which was passed by the Senate, recommended three-year terms for faculty of associate professor rank or above and a three-year "reserves" term to help new marshals acclimate to their positions.

The Faculty Senate is made up of one representative from each department at Northwest. The 22 senators are empowered by the Board of Regents to make decisions about curriculum, admissions and advanced standing and academic dishonesty issues.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY

- **Greek Week**
- CLEP, GED and MAT tests, 7:50 a.m., Wells Hall
- **St. Gregory's PTO Spring Rummage Sale**, 9 a.m., St. Gregory's
- **Student Employee Recognition Reception**, 3:30 p.m., University Conference Center
- **Teacher Fair**, 6 p.m., Horace Mann gymnasium
- **Lab Series: "Kiss of the Spiderwoman"**, 7:30 p.m., Charles Johnson Theatre

MONDAY

- **Northwest Week**
- **Department of Geology/Geography Banquet**, Union Ballroom
- **Holy Week Breakfast**, 7 a.m., Hope Lutheran Church
- **Lenten Mass**, 8 a.m., St. Gregory's
- **IM quickball entries close**, noon
- **Boy Scout Troop 74 Meeting**, 7 p.m., First Christian Church
- **Boy Scout Meeting**, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church

FRIDAY

- **Greek Week**
- **St. Gregory's PTO Spring Rummage Sale**, 7 a.m., St. Gregory's Gym
- **Stations/Prayer**, 5:30 p.m., St. Gregory's
- **Lab Series: "Kiss of the Spiderwoman"**, 7:30 p.m., Charles Johnson Theatre
- **Encore: St. Joseph Symphony**, 7:30 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center

TUESDAY

- **Northwest Week**
- **Teacher Placement Day**
- **Holy Week Breakfast**, 7 a.m., Hope Lutheran Church
- **Lenten Mass**, 8 a.m., St. Gregory's
- **Undergraduate Research Recognition**, 3:30 p.m., Conference Center
- **Dried Flowers and Arranging Workshop**, 4 p.m., Farmer's State Bank, Tarkio
- **PTO Board Meeting**, 6 p.m., St. Gregory's

SATURDAY

- **Greek Week**
- **ACT**, 8 a.m., Colden Hall
- **C-BASE Test**, 8 a.m., Valk lobby
- **Men's Breakfast**, 8 a.m., First Christian Church
- **Lenten Mass**, 6 p.m., St. Gregory's

WEDNESDAY

- **Northwest Week**
- **Holy Week Breakfast**, 7 a.m., Hope Lutheran Church
- **Lenten Mass**, 8 a.m., St. Gregory's
- **Youth Access**, 6 p.m., Laura Street Baptist Church
- **Nodaway County University Outreach and Extension Council Meeting**, 7:30 p.m., Courthouse Annex
- **Jazz Ensemble Concert**, 8 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center
- **Phi Mu Alpha Man of Music**, 8 p.m., Charles Johnson Theatre

SUNDAY

- **Palm Sunday**
- **Passover**
- **Greek Week Awards Ceremony**
- **Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band Concert**, 3 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center
- **Senior Recital: Michael McBain**, percussion, 8 p.m., Charles Johnson Theatre
- **College of Education and Human Services Honors Luncheon**, 12:30 p.m., Conference Center

THURSDAY

- **Northwest Week**
- **Holy Week Breakfast**, 7 a.m., Hope Lutheran Church
- **Student Council Speeches and Elections**, 8 a.m., Middle School
- **Boy Scout Leaders Meeting**, 6:30 p.m., United Methodist Church
- **Holy Thursday Mass**, 7 p.m., St. Gregory's
- **Maundy Thursday Service**, 7 p.m., First Christian Church
- **Maundy Thursday Service**, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church

Egg-citing encounter



PHOTO BY AMANDA SANDERSON/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Jesse Ruby, 4, meets the Easter Bunny at Wal-Mart Saturday with his mother. Wal-Mart donated the money made from pictures taken with the Easter Bunny to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Tower Yearbook offers photo session for seniors

Tower Yearbook will be taking senior portraits for 2002 graduates. Pictures will be taken from 8 a.m. to 1:50 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. April 10-13 on the second floor of the Student Union.

Cap and gown pictures and a portrait for the yearbook will be taken, and there is no sitting fee. Appointments can be made by calling 562-1528.

Eighth-grader Brian Donnelly won third place at Math Counts, a yearly math competition run by the National Engineering and NASA. He competed against students from Savannah and North Nodaway and will advance to the state competition in Columbia in April.

Donnelly also won the local geography bee and will compete at the state level April 6.

St. Francis Hospital to sponsor annual brunch

The St. Francis Hospital Foundation's annual Palm Sunday Brunch will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at The Bread Basket Cafeteria, located on the ground floor of the hospital.

The buffet will include pit ham, biscuits and gravy, fried chicken, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage links, Belgian waffles, fried potatoes, fresh fruit and mini creosants. Tickets are \$11 for adults and \$6 for children 10 and younger. Children under three years of age eat free.

Tickets may be purchased in advance from Bank Midwest, First Bank, First Bank CBC, Nodaway Valley Bank, the Giving Tree Gift Shop and the community relations department at St. Francis Hospital.

Proceeds from this year's brunch will go toward new curriculum for the St. Francis Preschool and Child Care Center.

UNIVERSITY

McCurdy tree dedication, remembrance planned

A tree dedication, in memory of Dustin McCurdy, is scheduled for 4 p.m. Wednesday on the north side of Wells Hall.

McCurdy was a senior broadcasting major at Northwest, who died of a heart arrhythmia Jan. 23.

All family and friends are invited to attend the ceremony.

Kansas City mayor to give guest speech at luncheon

Kansas City, Mo., Mayor Kay Barnes will give the keynote address at the College of Education and Human Services 12th Annual Honors Luncheon.

The event will begin at 12:30 p.m. Sunday at the University Conference Center.

The luncheon will recognize Northwest students who have received University and department scholarships and the 2000-01 ambassadors.

The departments include curriculum and instruction/educational leadership; family and consumer sciences; health, physical education, recreation and dance; and psychology, sociology and counseling.

St. Joseph Symphony set to perform at Northwest

The St. Joseph Symphony will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. They will be joined by Northwest's Tower Choir, the Missouri Western State College Concert Chorale and the St. Joseph Commu-

nity Chorus. The symphony is conducted by Deborah Freedman.

Tickets are \$12, \$10 or \$8 and can be bought at the Student Services Center in the Administration Building or by calling 562-1212.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia performs show at church

Members of Northwest's chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, an internationally recognized music fraternity, performed two music pieces during a service at the First Baptist Church April 1.

Under the direction of Brian VonGlaun, senior vocal music education major, the men of Phi Mu Alpha performed acappella arrangements of "Sing Me To Heaven" and "Steal Away." They joined the chancel choir and congregation in songs of worship.

Phi Mu Alpha will also play host

to its annual Phi Mu Alpha Man of Music concert at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Charles Johnson Theatre, along with Sigma Alpha Iota, Northwest's professional music sorority for women.

The concert will begin at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday in the Charles Johnson Theatre.

Improv Alamo to perform comedy show

The Northwest Improv Alamo will be performing at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at the Charles Johnson Theatre.

The group performed on campus in October. They also toured in December and January at the Missouri Thespians Festival and the American College Theater Festival.

The show will be an improvisational comedy, based on ideas from the audience. Tickets are \$2 and will be on sale at the door.

COMMUNITY

St. Gregory's students to compete in state contest

Students in fourth through sixth grades at St. Gregory's Catholic School won top honors in mathematics and geography competitions.

Sixth-grader Brian Sears will advance to a state math competition April 11 in Columbia for winning third place in a problem solving contest sponsored by the Missouri Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

This is Sears' second year to compete and win at the local level.

St. Gregory's brought nine students to the local competition in Grant City and each of them placed in the mathematics contests.

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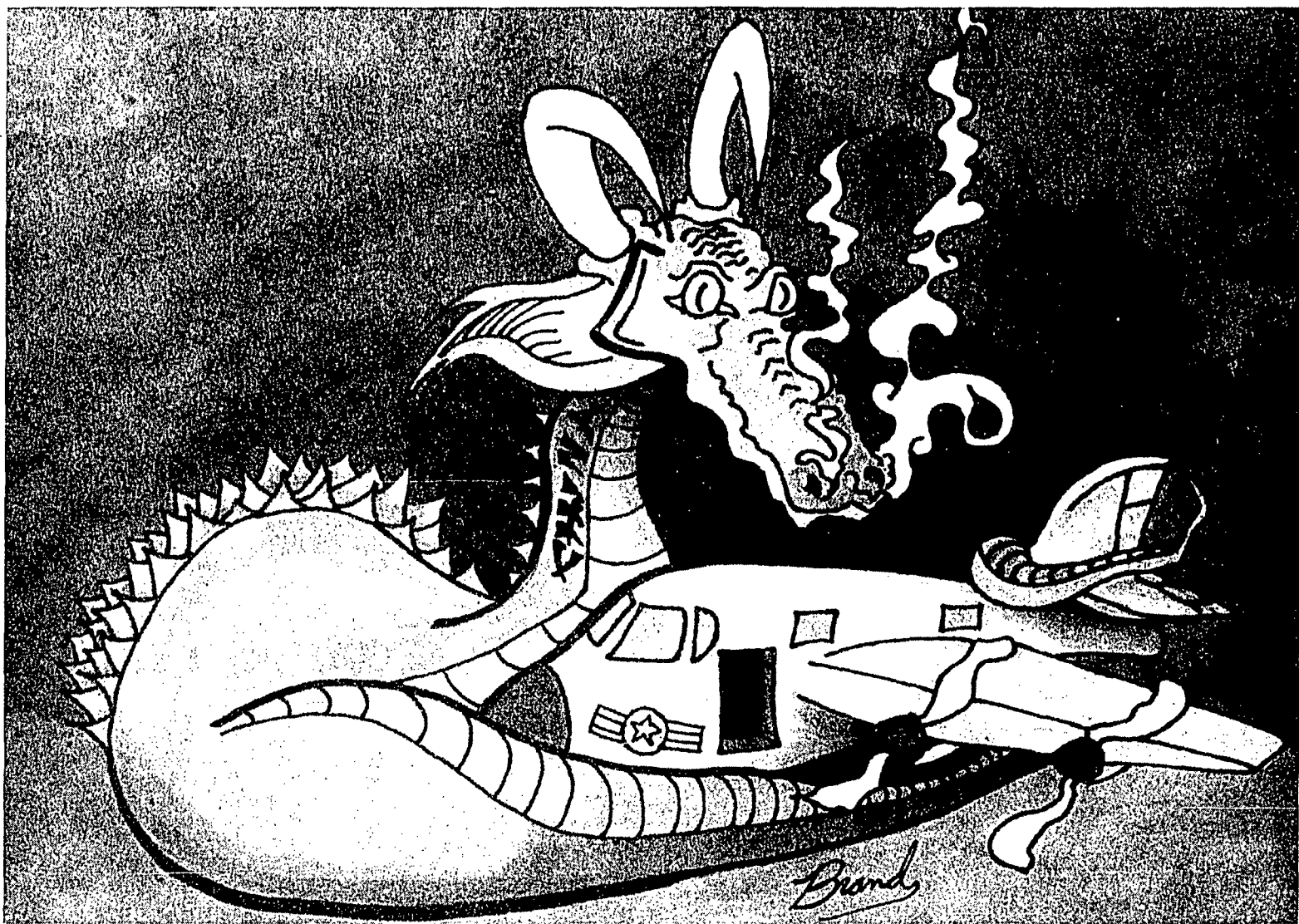
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MY VIEW

Editor frustrated by Northwest bashers



LAURA PEARL
CHIEF REPORTER

I couldn't help but laugh at some little strings of conversation floating down my residence hall stairway a couple of days ago.

A student was griping about Northwest to another student who basically agreed that Maryville was home to, well, a less-than-adequate institution of higher learning, to say the least.

I laughed, not because it was funny, but because it was ridiculous. I mean, I know students hear the comeback "Then why are you still here?" all the time, but I can't help but agree.

If you hate where you are or what you are doing, then you'd be better off peddling Ginsu knives door-to-door to make spare cash while you "find yourself."

I'm no University recruiter, don't get me wrong. I'm of the opinion that a college should be a personal choice, based on hopes for the future and a desire to search for something out there that might hold more allure than those hopes.

Complaining because Northwest does not carry with it the prestige and prominence that larger universities such as Harvard, Stanford and UCLA do is like complaining that Maryville does not have an NBA team or that Missouri just doesn't seem to attract a strong professional acting clientele.

To avoid the risk of sounding like an anonymous *Missourian* writer of the past, however, I am going to avoid saying that I'm "proud to be a Bearcat."

I wouldn't go so far as to call myself a Bearcat, anyway, seeing as I've never participated in the kind of University activities that provide students with temporary non-book-store Bearcat apparel without charges equivalent to a month's salary.

But this particular Northwest student happens to think being an official Bearcat would be an honor of sorts.

Besides the white-sleeved Bearcat-green jacket I would have at my fingertips during wind-battering, cold Missouri weather, I would have a very special spot on the Northwest homepage roster, a poster featuring myself and my teammates dressed in uniforms at some local establishment and an enhanced physical fitness level.

Most importantly, I would be surrounded by people who wear their Bearcat green and hush for at least a few hours a week about longing for bigger places.

It's hard not to be offended whenever I hear people plotting to abandon Northwest for other Meccas of learning. I chose to come here, after all. My parents spent four years here together, and I guess the Bearcat fever hit me hard somewhere along the way.

For those of you who came here because it was cheaper than your first four choices or because you didn't want to have to be more than two hours from home or just because you heard glorious tales of technology-shrouded residence halls, I am sorry.

If you truly feel you are receiving an inferior education, ask yourself precisely how. Is work unchallenging on all levels here? If so, ask yourself why you are still here. Most of all, ask yourself why so many people come here, apparently blind to this "inadequate educational experience."

As for me, I can only sit back and prepare for the final year of my own education. I'm at the place I worked through high school to reach, the highest institution of learning I will attend, a place adequate enough for me. But what do I know? I'm a Northwest student, after all.

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YOUR VIEW

What do you think of the recent military mishaps?



"The idea of people as leaders with power making huge mistakes makes me feel a little unsafe."

Jenny Giffin
Psychology major



"Bush and the military need to be more cautious. Our country depends on our military and it's making mistakes left and right. It doesn't make me feel very confident in our leadership."

Nicole Dierkson
Public relations major



"I think the military needs to be more careful in the testing of aircraft and enforcing no fly zones."

Ryan Hamilton
Business major



"I feel like with Bush as our new commander in chief, more military problems will arise with greater repercussions."

Sarah Volkmar
Undecided



"Since America is a military leader in the world, they should set a better example and not make as many mistakes."

Kojiro Yashido
Undecided

OUR VIEW

Graduation

Summer graduation date raises questions, students, Board handle problems fairly

A controversial situation came to the forefront last week when two Northwest students submitted letters to the Board of Regents in an attempt to appeal a previous decision restricting them from spring commencement. There was an opportunity for both sides to overreact and for hard feelings to form. Instead, they are dealing with the issue in a respectful and commendable manner.

Betsy Liebsch and Mindy Lager petitioned to walk in the spring graduation ceremony because of a conflict with their required recreation internships. The two will be completing their final requirement this summer. With summer commencement scheduled for Thursday, July 26, they will not be able to make it back because of their out-of-state internship responsibilities.

The Board of Regents responded to their cause immediately and a special committee was formed to recommend a resolution. The committee consisted of faculty and student representation.

The students' persistence and the Board's promptness should be noted. Instead of delaying the topic until it was too late, the committee made a decision with enough time for the students to prepare for graduation.

The situation was examined in a serious manner and an acceptable resolution was sought. The University did not take these students' concerns lightly.

The entire situation serves as a model for future student concerns. When students present their case in a reasonable and mature manner, they will be met with equal respect.

Difficult situations can fuel flaring tempers and result in rash judgments. Both the students and the faculty involved in this situation should be recognized and respected for their civility.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Disrespectful crowd angers reader

Dear Editor,

On Wednesday night (March 28), Oscar Arias was telling the crowd that the "opposite of love is indifference." Apparently indifference rules at Northwest — half of the crowd was not listening.

Often I hear people complain about how Northwest is an isolated, out-of-touch institution. Perhaps it is not the fault of the institution, however; perhaps it is the quality of the students that brings us down. Northwest did its part in bringing us a visionary, a former leader of Costa Rica and a winner of the Noble Peace prize. Unfortunately, a man respected everywhere for his ideas is not worth the time and attention of the students in attendance. I assume most were simply there for extra credit and not enlightenment, and it showed. People all around me were rudely talking and laughing during the presentation. On several occasions, while Arias was talking about how privileged we are as Americans and how our awareness and interest can make a difference, herds of my peers were flocking out of the theater loudly. Congratulations on your bonus points, you are making a difference.

He spoke to the problem directly when he said that it is our arrogance and ignorance that keeps us from making the world a better place. We just don't get it. Half of the people did not hear a word that was said. They shut out an opportunity to expand their mind and be educated. Many chose to be rude instead. Maybe those people should have stayed at the bar, because apparently they do not want to learn, and I do not want them disrupting the experience I thank the lecture's organizers for providing me.

Do not blame Northwest for failing to provide an academic environment — blame each other for failing to embrace it.

MATTHEW STAUB
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS MAJOR

Supreme Court makes fair decision

Dear Editor,

Your "Our View" (March 15) on the United States Supreme Court's decision to allow the Ku Klux Klan to participate in the Adopt-A-Highway program is dead-on. Though the Ku Klux Klan falls in the dubious ranks of people such as George Wallace and John Rocco, the Bill of Rights does apply to them, too.

The United States Supreme Court was correct when it denied, without comment, an appeal by the State of Missouri, which held that the signs were a violation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, since the Klan discriminates. The state of Missouri grants Adopt-A-Highway participation to the Boy Scouts of America, a group that excludes gays, and the Knights of Columbus, a group limited to Catholic Men. All of these freedom of association practices are protected by the Constitution and years of legal precedent. The Klan, as well as any other organization, should be free to practice the First Amendment as anyone else should be.

First Amendment rights are a fundamental freedom enumerated to us by the framers of the Constitution. It is not the place of the state to censor those views with which it does not agree. This letter is not to say that I endorse the Klan's ideals, in fact the truth is quite the opposite. But I do realize, as does the Supreme Court of the United States, that the First Amendment exists to protect popular ideas as well as unpopular ones.

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■ In the March 29 issue of *The Northwest Missourian*, "Linksters to defend state championship," incorrectly identified Pat Turner as Pat Johnson.

■ In the March 29 issue of *The Northwest Missourian*, "Linksters to defend state championship," incorrectly identified Jeremy Espey as Jacob Espey.

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City to repair streets

Pot holes caused by harsh winter weather

By JIMMY MYERS
CHIEF REPORTER

With a quick look at the roads in Maryville, effects of the harsh winter can be seen. Now that the freezing and thawing has passed spring rains are the new threat to streets.

Interim City Manager Matt Chesnut said road conditions will be improving, but heavy spring rains could hinder road repairs.

"We've had a few dry days that allows us to get out there and patch," Chesnut said. "It's not permanent right now. Hopefully we can get some more permanent stuff in this summer with our hot mixes."

Although the city spent more on snow removal this year than in the past, Chesnut said the budget has not suffered.



PHOTO BY NICK THURBER/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

Pot holes in Maryville are worse this year than those past because of the harsh weather this winter. The city is trying to repair the potholes as fast as they can. This pot hole, located in the Wal-Mart parking lot could be repaired as soon as two weeks.

"We used more than we expected this year, but we are far from going over budget," Chesnut said. "However, on the side of that is some of the smaller projects we may have done in the summer such as general maintenance. We're not going to be able to do as much this time, so that's your tradeoff."

Chesnut said the city is aware of pot holes on streets, and ask people to be patient because roads will be fixed as quickly as possible.

Anyone who frequents Wal-Mart is probably aware of the pot hole located at the north entrance. Man-

ager Brian Detrick said he is aware of the pot hole and knows it is a problem that needs to be addressed.

"The company that did the lot is responsible for coming back and repairing that," Detrick said. "Right now, as long as the weather will be dry, we have them scheduled approximately two weeks from now."

Detrick said large problems such as resurfacing the parking lot are taken care of through the home office in Arkansas.

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Street project planned; roads to be upgraded, water lines to be replaced

By LAURA PEARL
CHIEF REPORTER

With the onset of warm weather, city officials are preparing for summer street upgrades.

The upgrades, part of the city's efforts to create more efficient streets, are an annual project.

Each year, the city sends bids to potential contractors, accepts a bid and then the contractor sets to work planning and execution, said Matt Chesnut, interim city manager.

"It's pretty simple," Chesnut said. "With the street project, we generally look at the low price and get going."

North Dewey Street, part of last year's street project, earned Maryville the award for best residential/collector street in Missouri.

This year's project will focus on the 300 block of East Eighth Street, along with North Buchanan Street from Seventh Street to 12th Street.

City officials select streets based on condition and usage, Chesnut said. For example, frequently traveled roads take priority over a less-traveled road with equal wear.

The upgrading process involves two stages, Chesnut said. First, water lines and other under-road work is done. Workers will replace water lines smaller than 8 inches and will relocate or replace sewer lines, phone lines and power lines that interfere with upgraded road beds.

All existing roads will be torn up, and road beds will be graded back to their original grade or a grade that will work best with surround-

ing land, Chesnut said. Workers will take out humps, widen the road beds and place a concrete curb along the edge of each road.

Tenants living in areas where streets are going to be torn up will inevitably face some inconvenience, Chesnut said. Affected residents were sent a certified letter from the city and invited to ask questions and learn about the project, Chesnut said.

Planning for the projects begins in the summer, so there is little time from one year's project to the next.

"We're always aware of the street project," Chesnut said. "As soon as we get one done, we're in the middle of the next one already."

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Authorities handle threats

Bomb threat left on vehicle caused investigation Tuesday morning

By TRISHA THOMPSON
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

A threatening communication left on a vehicle's windshield parked in the 200 block of Mulberry Street caused a one-block area to be evacuated Tuesday morning.

At 7 a.m., a local resident reported the threat to Maryville Public Safety. After evaluation, the area was evacuated and secured as a bomb threat. Traffic was stopped for two blocks in each direction.

The communication did not indicate a bomb anywhere other than at the vehicle. A thorough investigation was conducted, but no device was found. The investigation concluded around 10:15 a.m.

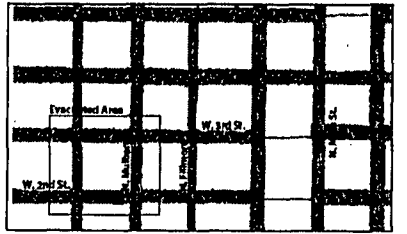
This was the second false bomb report in Maryville in three months. "I think it's sad that any community has to be put through these,"

Wood said. "The community expects for us to take them seriously. We do everything we can to safeguard the community."

Wood said the bomb threat on the courthouse Jan. 13 resulted in an arrest, and an arrest is also possible for the recent bomb scare. The incident is still under investigation, however, Wood said some suspects have developed.

"These are not fun or a prank," Wood said. "They cause a lot of problems for a lot of people. We intend to investigate this fully and make sure the person is brought to justice."

Assistance was provided by a bomb detection K-9 unit from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Public Safety was assisted by the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Maryville Public Works and the Nodaway County



A bomb threat in the 200 block of Mulberry forced residents to evacuate.

Sheriff's Department.

"We would like to thank everyone for their assistance this morning and apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused to anyone in the area," Wood said. "Situations of this nature are difficult to handle in that you affect a lot of people, usually needlessly, but you must always approach these threats as serious."

Shooting threat via Internet reported, local teen taken into custody

By TRISHA THOMPSON
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

A 13-year-old is in custody after he made threats over the Internet to shoot two students.

The teen admitted to making threats while playing an on-line Microsoft game called "Asheron's Call." This game incorporates participants typing messages to one another.

The adult recipient of the message became alarmed and called authorities with the information.

Gary Bell, superintendent of Maryville R-11 schools, said the threat was general, not naming certain individuals as targets.

The school's policy in dealing with shooting threats are to suspend the student and to require a psychological evaluation before readmitting the student or indefinitely suspending the student for the remainder of the academic year, Bell said.

"It's interesting, people don't understand the impact of informa-

tion they are transmitting over the Internet," Bell said.

Bell said the middle school student did not make the threats using a computer at school.

The investigation was conducted by Troop C, Kirkwood, D/DCC officers. The investigators were able to identify the name and address of name and contacted Troop H. Troop H began its investigation March 29.

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Walkers raise money, exercise for cause

By CHRIS BOLINGER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

An estimated 75 walkers will be lacing up their sneakers Saturday in support of the annual MS Walk.

The six-mile walk, beginning at the National Guard Armory, is the major fundraising event for the Mid-America chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, said Deb Murphy, St. Joseph Region MS Walk coordinator.

Registration begins at 8 a.m.,

with the walk starting at 9 a.m.

Walkers of all ages will collect donations for the walk. Each walker who collects \$100 or more will receive an official MS Walk T-shirt, and other prizes will be available based on levels of pledges collected.

Anne Eck who is co-chairing the event said she hopes the walk will raise at least \$7,000, and they have local business supporting the cause as well.

"The planning has gone very

well," Eck said. "We have a lot of local businesses donating things."

Dominos will be donating mini pizzas, Taco John's will be donating taco tokens, Pepsi will be beverages and Econo Foods and Wal-mart will be donating apples and oranges. Other sponsors include the National Guard, Hy-Vee, KNIM and Maryville's Business and Professional Women's Organization

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PUBLIC SAFETY

March 12

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that she was receiving harassing phone calls at her residence in the 500 block of North Mulberry.

March 23

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that someone had taken a CD player from his vehicle in the 500 block of North Buchanan.

March 26

■ Timmy L. Henson, 47, Maryville, was traveling west in the 600 block of West Torrance when he left the roadway and struck a house. Henson was transported by personal vehicle to St. Francis Hospital.

■ Fire units responded to a fire in the 800 block of West South Avenue. Upon arrival, the fire was extinguished, and no damage was reported. The cause of the fire was determined to be a wash cloth on the heater.

■ Dennis E. Allen, 53, Pickering, and Janell E. Mincy, 17, Barnard, were driving through a private parking lot when Allen struck Mincy.

March 27

■ Kate E. Leach, Chillicothe, was parked in the 200 block of North Main, when Gordon B. Garrett, Maryville, backed into Leach's vehicle. Garrett then left the scene. Garrett was issued a citation for leaving the scene of an accident.

March 28

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that someone had taken numerous tires from his business in the 1400 block of East First.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that a male juvenile had taken a pair of glasses from the 500 block of West South Hills Drive. The case is being referred to the Juvenile Office.

March 29

■ Dale Miller, Louisiana, was parked in a private lot in the 700 block of South Main. A vehicle struck Miller's vehicle and then left the scene.

■ An officer towed a white Blazer from a parking lot in the 200 block of East Third. The vehicle was towed by Walker's.

■ An officer received a report from a business in the 1600 block of South Main that someone had attempted to take several items from the store. Deborah A. Frogge, 43, Maryville, was issued a summons for larceny.

■ Officers received a report of an underage individual at a business in the 300 block of North Market. Upon arrival, Jeffrey M. Derra, 20, Maryville, was issued a summons for minor in possession, disorderly conduct and failure to comply.

March 30

■ Norman S. Oberhauser, 39, Hopkins, was traveling west on Highway 136. William D. Harris, 72, Anita, Iowa, was traveling east on Highway 71. Oberhauser was approaching the intersection. Harris was stopped in the intersection. Oberhauser struck Harris.

■ Officers received a report of a fight in the 300 block of North Market. Upon arrival, Jeremy J. Wilson, 23, Maryville, was issued a summons for assault.

■ Becky B. Reinig, 49, Skidmore, was traveling north on Munn. Mary M. McAdams, 48, Tarkio, stopped at the intersection of Third and Munn. McAdams entered the intersection striking Reinig. McAdams was issued a citation for failure to yield at a posted stop sign.

■ While on patrol in the 300 block of North Fillmore, an officer observed a vehicle with a headlight out. The vehicle was stopped in the 100 block of South Fillmore. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Seth C. Meyers, 19, Maryville. While speaking with him, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform some field sobriety tests, which he could not complete. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for defective equipment.

March 31

■ Officers received a report of a hit and run in the 200 block of North Frederick. Upon arrival, the driver of the vehicle was identified as John M. Copeland, 20, Gower. While speaking with him, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform field sobriety tests which he could not successfully complete. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued citations for leaving the scene of an accident, improper registration, careless and imprudent driving and open container in a motor vehicle.

■ Dustin W. Pivalar, 18, Maryville, was stopped in traffic in a private parking lot in the 1600 block of South Main. Logan I. Allen, 16, Maryville, began backing out, striking Pivalar.

■ While responding to a call in the 400 block of North Buchanan, an officer observed a male individual enter a business who appeared to be under the legal age. Ozden E. Gokboga, 18, Maryville, was issued a summons for under 19 in a bar.

■ While on patrol in the 100 block of East Third, an officer observed a male individual urinating in public. Anthony C. Edelen, 23, Vermillion, S.D., was issued a summons for indecent exposure.

■ While on patrol in the 100 block of East Fifth, an officer observed a vehicle fail to stop at the stop sign at Fifth and Main. The vehicle was stopped in the 800 block of North Buchanan. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Troy D. Dickbernd, 21, Maryville. While speaking with him, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform field sobriety tests, which he could not complete. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for failure to stop at a posted stop sign.

April 1

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that someone had taken his cell phone while he was in the 400 block of North Buchanan.

April 2

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male in the 100 block of West Sixth that two male individuals were causing a disturbance in the 100 block of West Sixth.

■ While on patrol in the 200 block of North Buchanan, an officer observed a vehicle with expired registration. The vehicle was stopped in the 200 block of West First. The driver was identified as Joel H. Otte, 21, Maryville. A check through Missouri Department of Revenue showed Otte to be suspended. He was transported to Public Safety where he was issued citations for improper registration and driving while suspended.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

March 9

■ Leah R. Miller, 42, Burlington Junction, was arrested for driving while intoxicated. She was released after being held the mandatory detox.

March 14

■ Dawn D. Muncy, 24, Burlington Junction, was arrested on a Holt County warrant for passing bad checks. She was released on bond.

March 16

■ Kenneth R. Breit, 26, Parnell, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for motion to revoke probation and forgery and stealing. He was released on bond.

■ A Burlington Junction subject reported a theft from his residence.

March 18

■ Nikki L. Binning, 27, Mt. Ayer, Iowa, was arrested for driving while intoxicated. She was released on summons after being held the mandatory detox stay.

March 21

■ A Hopkins subject reported property damage in Hopkins.

■ Larry J. Miller, 31, Skidmore, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for motion to revoke probation.

■ A Maryville subject reported property damage to property he owns in rural Maryville.

March 22

■ William J. Chaloupecky, 23, Kansas City, Mo., was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for motion to revoke probation.

March 23

■ John J. Baker, 21, Clearmont, was arrested on a Cass County, Iowa, warrant for theft. He was released on bond.

March 24

■ James D. White, 20, Maryville, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for passing bad checks. He was released on bond.

■ Roger A. Heflin, 56, Maryville, was arrested for driving while intoxicated. He was released after being held the mandatory detox.

March 26

■ A Quitman subject reported she was assaulted.

March 27

■ Stan W. Slagle, 31, Maryville, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for driving while intoxicated. He was released on bond.

BIRTHS

Lincoln Tyler Pope

Mike and Teri Pope, Pickering, are the parents of Lincoln Tyler, born March 22 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces and joins one brother, Lane.

His maternal grandparents are Larry and Sharon Balwin, Hopkins.

Going for par



PHOTO BY MELISSA GALITZ/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Taylor Wilmarth receives a prize after he showed early putting skills Saturday during the Community Carnival fund-raiser for the Children's Center of Northwest Missouri. Stephanie Schmidt, an intern at the Children's Center, organized the event.

His paternal grandparents are Richard and Donna Pope, Pickering.

DEATHS

Kiera Dawn Greer

Mike and Amanda Greer, Stanberry, are the parents of Kiera Dawn, born March 22 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Don and Tonya Showers of Leon, Iowa, and Jim and Kathy Dewitt, Oskaloosa, Iowa. Her paternal grandparents are Christine Greer, Gentry, and Wendal Wells, King City.

Riley Thomas Cotton

John and Tonya Cotton are the parents of Riley Thomas, born March 29 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 5 pounds, 9 ounces, and joins one sister, Baylee.

His maternal grandparents are Denny and Pam Shuman, Forest City, and Mike Elliott, Wheatland. His paternal grandparents are Steve and Karen Cotton, Forest City.

Anna Frances Eiberger

Anna Frances Eiberger, 60, Maryville, died March 28 at her home in Maryville.

She was born Sept. 15, 1940, to Fay and Hattie Walker in Maryville.

She is survived by her husband, John Eiberger; one daughter, Monica; two grandchildren, Carrissa and Nicholas; two brothers, Joe and Robert Duley; and two sisters, Hazel and Clara Duley.

Services were March 31 at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

Charles B. Partridge

Charles B. Partridge, 86, Maryville, died April 2 at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Kansas City, Mo.

He was born April 25, 1914, to Charlie and Dora Partridge in Nodaway County.

He is survived by three sons, Charles, Jack and Tom; two daughters, Lorraine Holbrook and Julia Partridge; 12 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

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Greeks celebrate week of unity, fun

By JACLYN MAUCK
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

With competition, singing and entertainment, members of the 15 Greek organizations at Northwest came together this week to work on one philanthropy.

Members of the Greek Week committee set their goals high when they aimed to raise \$10,000 for the Children's Center of Northwest Missouri. After raising \$4,000 by Tuesday, they are striving to raise as much money, materials and other goods as they can.

"We want the town to know that this college's Greek life is willing to help the town," said Greek

Week co-chair Jason Dent.

Greek organizations have sponsored bake sales, a spaghetti dinner and worked out coupon deals with Hardee's and Pizza Hut to raise money. They also charged \$1 or one nonperishable item to gain admittance to Zeus and Hera, a modified beauty pageant in which contestants competed for the title of Zeus or Hera.

Doug Montgomery was announced Zeus. He performed a skit called Zeus 'n Dales which was a spoof off a Saturday Night Live skit with Chris Farley and Patrick Swayze auditioning to be Chip 'n Dales dancers.

"It was awesome," Montgomery said. "I put the time and effort in, and I really want to win."

Events during Greek Week are not just about the yearly philanthropy. Greek Week is also about promoting Greek unity, Dent said.

"It's just to get everybody to know each other," Dent said. "And the more you're around people and each other, then the more chances you have of getting along with each other. We're just trying to get the Sig Eps and Delta Chis to all be friends."

Greek Week activities use that competitive spirit. Members of different organizations competed for points in activities such as capture the flag, pie eating, and canoe and chariot racing.

"The chariot race is probably one of the most popular events," Dent said. "Everybody likes to stand around campus and watch six frat guys haul around some sorority chick sitting in a chariot in a dead sprint."

"It's funny because people trip and bust themselves up. It's all



PHOTO BY JOHN PERTOVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Sarah Huffer waves to the crowd after she was crowned Hera of Greekstock 2001. Huffer is a Sigma Sigma Sigma.

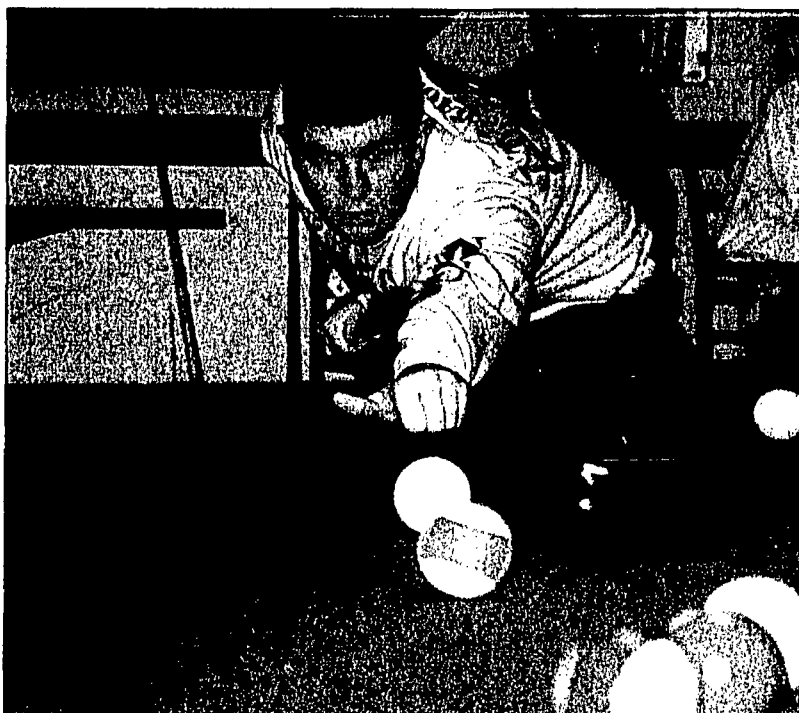


PHOTO BY JOHN PERTOVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Tony Dubolino, senior Phi Sigma Kappa member, strikes the cue ball in hopes of sinking a ball in the corner pocket during the Pool Tournament Tuesday at the Hangar. The tournament was one of the many games and events during Greekstock 2001.

heated and everybody is running as fast as they can with hardly any clothes on, so the chicks like to watch all the guys out there half-naked running around. It's kind of cool."

Greek Week is a national event; although, each campus celebrates it a little differently. Some campuses simply wear their letters, while bigger campuses raise \$100,000.

"We are kind of a mediocre campus, and we get above average participation," Dent said. "And it gets a little better every year."

Last year the philanthropy was Habitat for Humanity. Greeks raised \$10,000 and built a house for a Maryville couple whose home had been damaged by a fire.

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PHOTO BY JOHN PERTOVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Doug Montgomery dances during the talent portion of the Zeus and Hera competition. He was later crowned Zeus.

Agricultural day draws area students

By JENNIFER LOUK
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Students from about 40 high schools in Northwest Missouri inhabited campus Tuesday for the District Spring Career Development Events.

Some of the day's activities included hands-on work, while part of the day was scheduled for written testing. The testing included things such as being able to identify 100 insects.

"The people that you meet through these contests and the networking you can do is just incredible."

KRISTEN DURHAM
NORBORNE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR

Some of the contests included a soil contest, forestry and landscaping. With the soils contest, four pits were dug in the ground by the radio tower. Judges went down in the pits and judged the productivity, color and how well the soil was drained.

About 1,000 students participated in activities and contests from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.

"There is a lot of work put into it, but it is worth it," said Marvin Hoskey, assistant professor of agriculture and coordinator of the events.

Many students feel they benefited from the events.

"I would like a job with horses,

either being a judge or a veterinarian, so it's a good experience," said Kristin Gillham, a freshman from Tri-County R-VII who participated in horse judging activities.

Participating schools competed against one another in hopes of advancing to state. The day consisted of a lot of work, but many students enjoyed the day.

"The people that you meet through these contests and the networking you can do is just incredible," said Kristen Durham, a Norborne High School senior.

About one third of the Missouri schools participating in the events will be able to attend the state contest April 19-20. The results will be announced Thursday evening at Cameron High School after all the district events have been completed.

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Read about the school bus that was given a traffic violation from Campus Safety during Ag Day at missourianonline.com

Search begins to fill open dean position

By SARA SITZMAN
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

As the new provost, one of Taylor Barnes' first duties will be to find a replacement for the dean of arts and sciences position he is vacating.

Barnes said he has already begun discussions with the 11 arts and sciences department chairs about the process and whether an internal or external search is preferred.

"I'm trying to solicit their input in a reasonable amount of time," Barnes said. "Then we'll continue to move forward."

After a decision is made on the type of search, advertising will begin for the position. Preliminary

feedback shows whoever fills the position must have a considerable amount of department chair experience, Barnes said.

Barnes said some of Northwest's arts and sciences department chairs could replace him.

"They are an outstanding group of department chairs, and I'm confident there are several who would make a good dean," Barnes said.

Barnes said he plans to be deliberate and have a thorough process in finding a dean.

"We don't want to rush anything," Barnes said. "This is a big decision."

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Various activities planned for Northwest Week

By SARA SITZMAN
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

The annual Northwest Week will take place starting Monday with the theme "Everybody Get Your Northwest On."

Monday's events include a barbecue featuring KDLX from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Bell Tower. From noon to 4 p.m. there will be Wax Hands and Sand Creations at the Bell Tower.

A Psychic Fair will be offered

from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday on the second floor of the Student Union. Spotlight President Chase Rasa said there will be five psychics, including a palm reader and tarot card reader.

Tuesday will also include the Tower Queen Presentation at 12:15 p.m. at the Bell Tower and the Tower Service Awards Banquet at 5 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

The RHA Ice Cream Social will be at noon Wednesday at the

Bell Tower. "Battle of the Bands" starts rocking at 8 p.m. at the Tundra.

"Extreme Air," a sky diving simulator, will be offered from noon to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday and noon to 6 p.m. Thursday at the Conference Center parking lot. The free event will use a wind speed of around 200 mph to hold people up in the air, Rasa said.

There will be a Pancake Feed from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Thursday

at the Bell Tower, and a barbecue from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday at the Bell Tower. Friday there will also be Karaoke and an ABC Volleyball Tournament from noon to 3 p.m. at the Bell Tower.

Rasa summed up the reason for the week.

"It's for everyone to come and enjoy themselves," Rasa said.

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12-4 Wax Hands & Sand Creation- Bell Tower

Tuesday
11-1 Campus Dining Forum- 2nd Floor Union
12:15 Tower Queen- Bell Tower
5:00 Tower Service Awards Banquet- Ballroom

Wednesday
12:00 RHA Ice Cream Social- Bell Tower
8:00 "Battle of the Bands"- Tundra or Conference Center- depending on weather
Care will be there with mocktails

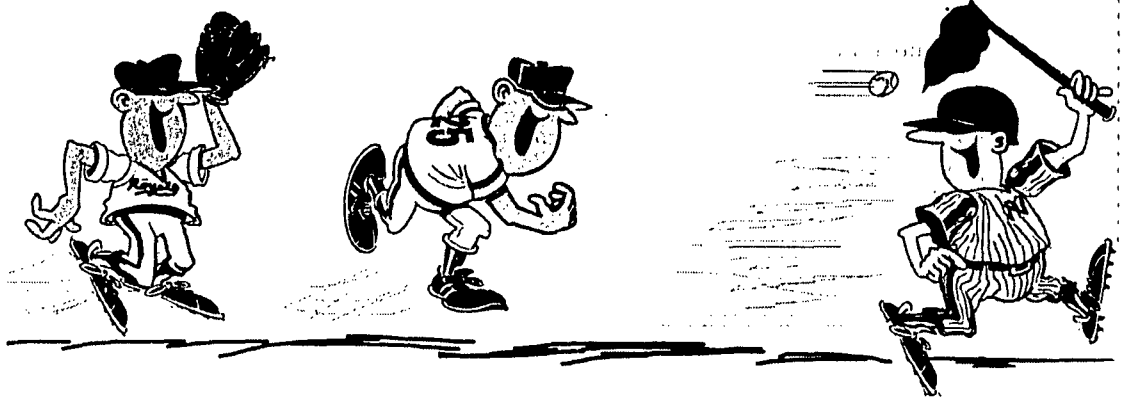
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7:30-10 Pancake Feed- Bell Tower
11-5 Extreme Air- National Guard Army lot

Friday
11-1 IFC & Panhellenic BBQ
12-3 Karaoke- Bell Tower
ABC Volleyball Tournament- Bell Tower

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Royals, Cardinals on mission in 2001

The strike zone has changed, A-Rod went South for \$250 million, a work stoppage looms, but Missouri teams are set for a new season of chasing the Yankees



GRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION BY MARK HORNICKEL/EDITOR IN CHIEF

Cardinals aim to claim league title with depth

By MARK HORNICKEL
EDITOR IN CHIEF

With their slugger in the starting lineup for the first time since July, the St. Louis Cardinals and their fans are optimistic they can be the top team in the National League this season.

After undergoing surgery in October to repair his knee, Mark McGwire and the Cardinals are aiming to repeat as NL Central champs and avenge last year's playoff loss to the New York Mets in the NL Championship Series.

Northwest men's basketball head coach Steve Tappmeyer, who is an avid Cardinals fan, said McGwire's bat could take the team to a higher level.

"If he stays healthy he can really help the team," Tappmeyer said. "He's a guy they have to pitch around because he's got such a big bat. If he can stay healthy, that's a big plus, and it gives them a better shot."

While McGwire, Jim Edmonds and J.D. Drew will provide the offensive firepower, the Cardinals' pitching staff is much improved.

"Just from the little things I've seen, they've picked up some relievers so they won't lose so many games in the second half," said Tricia Yates, a Maryville resident and Cardinals fan.

Despite getting 15 hits knocked off him Monday against Colorado, Darryl Kile will lead the pitching staff and could be more effective this season with the higher strike zone, according to Sports Illustrated.

By sending third baseman Fernando Tatis to the Montreal Expos, the Cardinals added depth to their pitching staff by acquiring left-handed reliever Steve Kline and right-handed starter Dustin Hermanson.

The Cardinals are also hoping Rick Ankiel can break out of his recent pitching slump.

Some baseball scouts say the 21-year-old's stuff is good enough to rank him as the team's No. 1 starter, but he walked eight batters in 1 1/3 innings during his second spring training appearance.

"I'd feel a lot better with Ankiel if he would do a little better than he has been," Tappmeyer said. "Plus, they need some right-handed bats in there because they strike out a lot."

St. Louis set an NL record last season, striking out 1,253 times.

Left fielder Ray Lankford struck out every 2.7 at bats.

Defensively, third baseman Craig Paquette is a good hitter, and Placido Polanco will also help out.

At shortstop, Sports Illustrated called Edgar Renteria one of the best shortstops in baseball because he is skilled defensively, and he is a hitter who can spread the ball around. He's also dangerous on the base paths.

At second base, Fernando Viña will start the batting lineup and round out the Cardinals' double-play tandem up the middle.

Veteran Bobby Bonilla was another key offseason addition, giving the Cardinals some depth in the field and he can play a lot of positions.

"They've got a deep pitching staff so that's important," Tappmeyer said. "I know if they're in the thick of things, they'll make a move, and I'll be in there rooting to the end."

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Northwest baseball

'Cats take two from Hornets in double-header sweep

By JUSTIN BUSH
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After getting hammered in a double header Saturday against North Dakota State, the Northwest baseball team came back with four straight conference wins.

The 'Cats swept conference rival Emporia State University Wednesday.

Senior Joe Russle was tossed in the first inning of his last appearance with the Hornets this year.

Russle pitched his fifth complete game of the season, giving up one run on six hits while striking out five.

"It felt good to get them back," Russle said. "That umpire behind the plate is a really good umpire. He saw me throw against Western, and he knew I could hit the corners. He gave them to me early, and I kept taking advantages of the situations."

Both teams were scoreless for the first five innings until the Hornets scored in the top of the sixth.

The 'Cats answered back in the sixth with a shot to center field by junior Zac Ruff that drove in sophomore John Sipes from second base.

Senior Phil Burk came in to pinch hit and smacked a two-run double to score Ruff and give the 'Cats a 2-1 lead and eventually the win.

Junior Dan Southerland took the mound in game two.

The 'Cats wasted no time jumping out to a quick two-run lead in the first inning when senior Adam Bailey drove in freshman Chad McDaniel.

Junior Mike Carson later scored on a fielder's choice.

The 'Cats scored again in the third to take a three-run lead.

The Hornets scored once in the top of the fifth and again in the sixth, but the 'Cats prevailed in the end with the 6-2 victory.

The 'Cats traveled to Kirksville Sunday and swept conference rival Truman State University.

Senior Matt Goodman got the

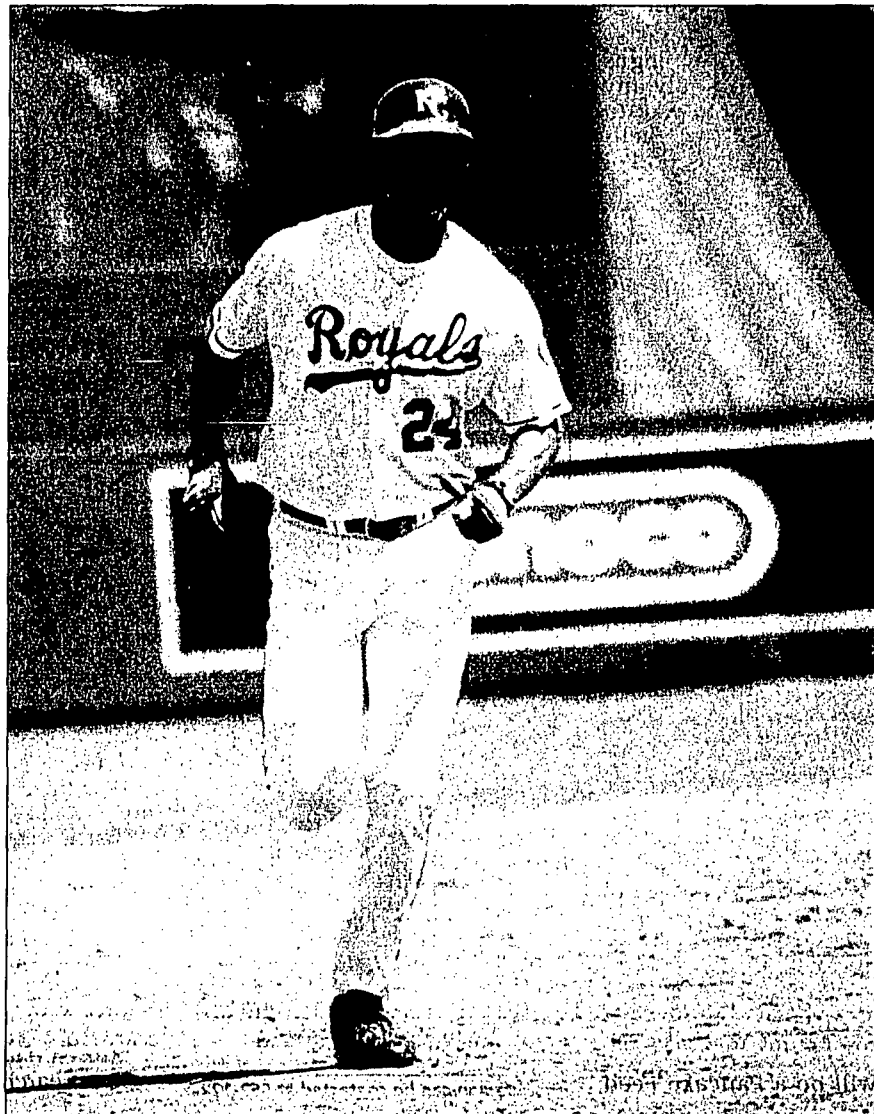


PHOTO BY JOHN PETROVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Royals left fielder Jermaine Dye makes his way around the bases after hitting a home run. Dye is one of the players the Royals are counting on this year to be a leader. He got off to a good start against the Yankees, going 2-3 with a double, a home run and two RBIs against the defending world champion New York Yankees on opening day. Despite the big numbers the Royals lost 7-3.

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PHOTO BY JOHN PETROVIC/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Junior first baseman Zac Ruff barely misses tagging out a North Dakota State Bison base runner during the 'Cats' 17-8 loss in the first game of a double header Saturday. Ruff was two for four on the day with four RBIs and two runs scored. Three of his RBIs came on a three-run home run. The 'Cats then dropped the second 25-15. The Bearcats will take Missouri Southern State College at 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Bearcat Field.

start and the win in game one, pitching six innings and giving up six hits and three runs.

The Bulldogs scored three more runs in the seventh as the 'Cats escaped defeat 8-6.

In game two freshman Travis Ashman showed no mercy for the Bulldogs.

In four and two-thirds innings Ashman allowed three runs off three hits as the 'Cats cruised to a

10-3 win.

The 'Cats came up short Saturday, losing the first game 17-8 and the second game 25-15.

The game was called in the fifth inning because of the 10-run rule.

The 'Cats' record improves to 6-6 in the conference and 11-17 overall.

The Cats will be back in action again at home Saturday against Missouri Southern.

Maryville golf

'Hounds shoot 300 at tourney

By BILL KNUST
UNIVERSITY SPORTS EDITOR

For a team that has yet to hit any balls off the driving range, the Maryville golf team is off to a grand start.

In the William Jewell College Darrel Gourley High School Invitational Golf Tournament the team shot a 300 total, grabbing the top three medalist spots.

Seniors Matt VanCleave and Nick Thompson, along with junior Trent Twaddle shot 71, 73 and 75 respectively.

Head coach Pat Turner said the 300 total score was the lowest score the team has produced in two years, for an 18-hole tournament.

"Their performance was just wonderful," Turner said. "This team hasn't been on the driving range yet this year, so I was a little skeptical at the beginning of the year."

VanCleave echoed Turner's statements about the team's solid performance.

"A big part of our game is hitting range balls," VanCleave said. "We haven't done that this year, so our play has been really good consider-

ing that."

VanCleave got off to a good start in the William Jewell tournament starting three-under par through the first six holes.

VanCleave said it was the best he has golfed this year.

The senior pointed out teammates Thompson, Twaddle, junior Brian Prokes and sophomore Lucas Larson push him to get better.

Turner said the team is close-knit and shares a camaraderie.

"They push each other everyday," Turner said. "They are good friends and they have man-to-man competition everyday."

The team faced Lafayette in a dual last Thursday, defeating the Fighting Irish 154-180.

Twaddle took home medalist honors at Fairview Golf Course, shooting par for the course, 36.

The defending state champions will be back in action at 4 p.m. on Thursday Mazingo Golf Course. The team will have a match against Benton and Savannah.

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Northwest tennis

'Cats still unbeaten in MIAA

By BRENT C. WAGNER
COMMUNITY SPORTS EDITOR

The untouchables of the MIAA, the Northwest men's and women's tennis teams began the 2001 campaign six weeks ago, and have yet to be knocked down by an MIAA foe.

The Bearcat women have cruised to a 5-0 start in MIAA duel play, while the men sport a 4-0 mark in the conference.

Both teams beat Truman State University Wednesday by scores of 6-3 for the women and 5-4 for the men.

Head coach Mark Rosewell could not be happier with the unblemished start in the MIAA and sees good things ahead as the teams travel to Topeka, Kan., April 19-21 with dreams of an MIAA Championship in sight.

"I think we're going to be contenders on both sides," Rosewell said.

The Bearcats have one remaining conference tilt with Washburn University at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Maryville.

The No. 20 regionally-ranked women will look to use the match as another stepping stone in their title run. The Cats are 33-3 in conference matches and a perfect 12-0 in MIAA doubles competition, a statistic that should favor Northwest when the MIAA tournament kicks off.

There was no doubt the Northwest women succeeded Monday night pounding Missouri Western State College 9-0 in a conference duel in St. Joseph.

The Bearcats were straight set winners in each match, and had a 92-20 match point advantage.

"I felt like we were a better team than they were and played pretty well," Rosewell said.

The women only dropped No. 5 junior singles player Jane Clark's match in an 8-1 win over Emporia State University Saturday in Maryville.

"Rosa is just a bonified No. 1 player," Rosewell said. "That's for sure."

The 'Cat attack stole 93 of 114 game points en route to a 9-0 shut-out over Fort Hayes State University Friday.

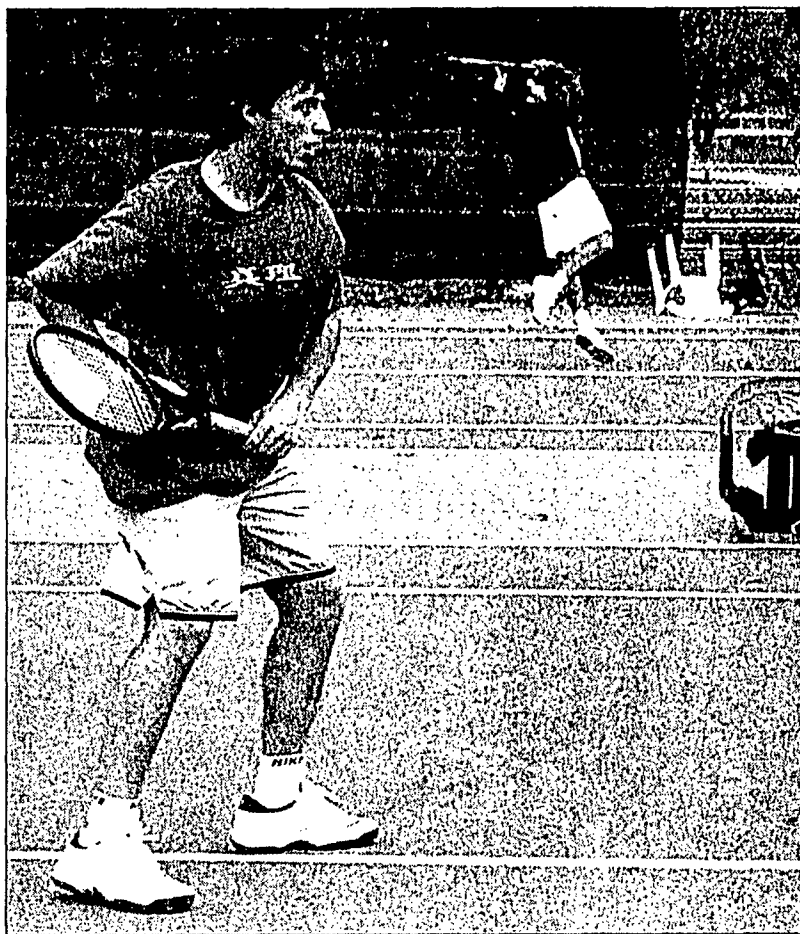


PHOTO BY KIMBERLY CAMPBELL/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER
Northwest men's tennis player sophomore Gorka Sanchez sets up for a shot in an afternoon workout Tuesday. The squad faces Washburn University at 3 p.m. Tuesday.

After picking up four wins in five days, the Northwest women improved to 13-7 on the year.

The team's depth and excellence have shown this season as Northwest has shut out four opponents.

"I think we have really good depth, and that's usually the sign of a good team," Rosewell said.

Rosewell said the solid play of No. 4 singles player senior Julie Ervin has been the backbone of the squad as she sports season and career singles marks of 11-6 and 65-17.

"Julie is having a really nice year," Rosewell said.

The dominance has followed to her doubles play as she and sophomore Adrianna Hernandez ride a 16-3 record at No. 2 doubles.

The Northwest men gave up just 18 match points in singles action in

a 9-0 victory over Emporia Saturday.

"Emporia hasn't been one of the stronger teams in the league," Rosewell said. "But to beat them that bad is a good sign and we can build on that in the rest of our conference matches."

Stepping up his game and benefiting the 'Cats this season has been No. 3 singles player sophomore Gorka Sanchez.

Sanchez is 8-7 in singles play, while teaming with freshman J.J. Mulwanda for an 8-4 record at No. 3 doubles.

"Gorka has stepped it up and is playing much better than he did last year," Rosewell said.

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Northwest softball

Bearcats set for key conference stretch

By SCOTT NIELSON
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After suffering through bad weather and cancellations the first month of the season, the Bearcat softball team has played nine games over the last seven days posting, a 3-6 record.

Their overall record is 9-14, 2-2 in the MIAA, as they head into a key part of the conference season Friday and Saturday at home.

"I think we need the offense and defense to get better consistency down the stretch of the conference season," said Lindy Tomlinson, senior second baseman.

Missouri Southern State College will be the opponent for a Friday doubleheader starting at 2:30 p.m.

Pittsburg State University will come to town Saturday for a doubleheader at noon.

"Missouri Southern is playing

great softball," head coach Pam Knox said.

The Bearcats faced a tough road test against Emporia State University Tuesday afternoon. Emporia State took an earlier meeting between these two teams, 5-1, at the Missouri Southern tournament on March 10.

Northwest got out to a fast start in game one putting two runs on the board before the Hornets got to bat.

Senior first baseman Nichole Strawn knocked in junior outfielder Jessica Rupiper with a double. Later in the inning, Tomlinson hit a solo home run for the early lead. Freshman Morgan McGinnis would need no more support, shutting down the Hornet offense in a 3-1 victory.

The second game was filled with lead changes and ties before Emporia State outlasted the Bearcats 8-7,

with the help of three runs in the bottom of the eighth.

Tomlinson and Strawn each homered in the seventh inning to temporarily give the Bearcats a 5-4 lead. McGinnis also pitched the second game and saw her record drop to 5-5 after the extra inning loss.

"We played well in Emporia," Tomlinson said. "Our defense and hitting were very good the first game and our hitting came alive at the end of the second game. Overall I think we played really well in the two games."

Over the weekend the Bearcats traveled to Omaha, Neb., for the Nebraska-Omaha Classic. Facing some top competition, the Bearcats were able to tally one victory in five games.

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Maryville girls' soccer

'Hounds blank Lincoln Prep 5-0

By ASHLEE ERWIN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

It is still early in the season, but the Maryville girls' soccer team is already facing an enemy's revenge.

The 'Hounds (5-3) are looking to top St. Joseph Lafayette once again Thursday at 4 p.m. in St. Joseph. The game will be a rematch of last weekend's 4-2 win in the Central Tournament.

"We didn't play the Lafayette game too well," sophomore Carol Sutton said of the tournament game. "Now we have some confidence and we know what to expect."

The 'Hounds gained some confidence Tuesday night by beating Lincoln Prep 5-0, their first shutout of the season. Senior Nicole Schieffer credited the offense for the win.

"I think our forwards did really well," Schieffer said. "As a team, we never let down."

Sutton came up with a hat trick in the win. Assistant coach Danielle

Saunders praised Sutton's skills in scoring three goals.

"A lot of times she was in a one-on-one situation with the defender," Saunders said. "She got around them and could take it straight to the goal."

Freshman Abby Walter and sophomore Tiffany Robertson each added a goal. Freshman Laura Gallagher and sophomore Carissa Devers each had an assist.

In last week's action Maryville posted a 1-2 record en route to a second-place finish at the four-team St. Joseph Central Tournament Friday and Saturday.

Host Central blanked the 'Hounds 4-0 in first-round action Friday. Head coach Gregg Winslow said Central's established soccer program and teamwork were too much for his team.

"They dominated the game, basically," Winslow said.

Schieffer had 18 saves as goalie for Maryville.

The loss did not keep the 'Hounds down as they came back

to beat Lafayette Saturday 4-2.

Senior Kerry Thompson scored two goals with Gallagher and Sutton each contributing one. Sutton also had an assist and Walter dealt out two assists. Schieffer had eight saves in the win.

Winslow said the girls played better against Lafayette but did not capitalize on the chances they had.

"It ended up that we won the game," Winslow said. "But we certainly didn't play as well as we are capable of playing, either."

The 'Hounds continued to miss opportunities in Saturday afternoon's 4-3 loss to Smithville. Maryville carried a 3-2 lead into halftime. Forced to kick into the wind in the second half, the 'Hounds never scored again but allowed two more Smithville goals.

Sutton and Thompson both scored goals for Maryville. Junior Leah Taylor knocked in a goal on a penalty kick. Schieffer made eight saves as goalie.

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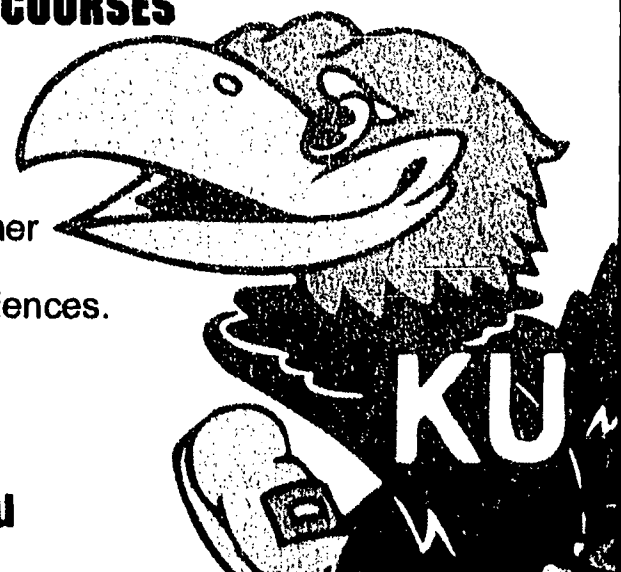


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Maryville baseball

'Hounds shut out Savages 3-0

By BRENT C. WAGNER
COMMUNITY SPORTS EDITOR

The arm of its ace led the Maryville baseball team to a 3-0 win over Savannah in the home opener at Beal Park Tuesday.

Senior pitcher Mark Lewis picked up the win on the mound.

With the win the 'Hounds have improved to 3-3 on the season as they gear up for the Midland Empire Conference season.

The 'Hounds take on Cameron (5-1) at 4:30 p.m. Thursday at Beal Park.

"They have a real good ball club, and we won't take them lightly," head coach Brian Lohafer said.

The 'Hounds travel to Chillicothe on Tuesday to take on the Hornets, a team Lohafer said is strong year in and year out.

The conference season will kick off next Thursday in a rematch with the Savages.

Aided by a strong defensive performance Lewis went the distance to shut out Savannah. Lewis struck out seven while giving up just four hits and one walk.

"I thought Mark Lewis did an outstanding job pitching for us," Lohafer said. "He threw 44 innings for us last year, so coming into the season we were hoping he would be our ace. He did a really good job for us."

Lewis set the tone early with a three-up, three-down first inning, including a strike out.

The Savages advanced players into scoring position early in the second inning before senior catcher Mitch Herring caught a Savannah base runner trying to steal third.

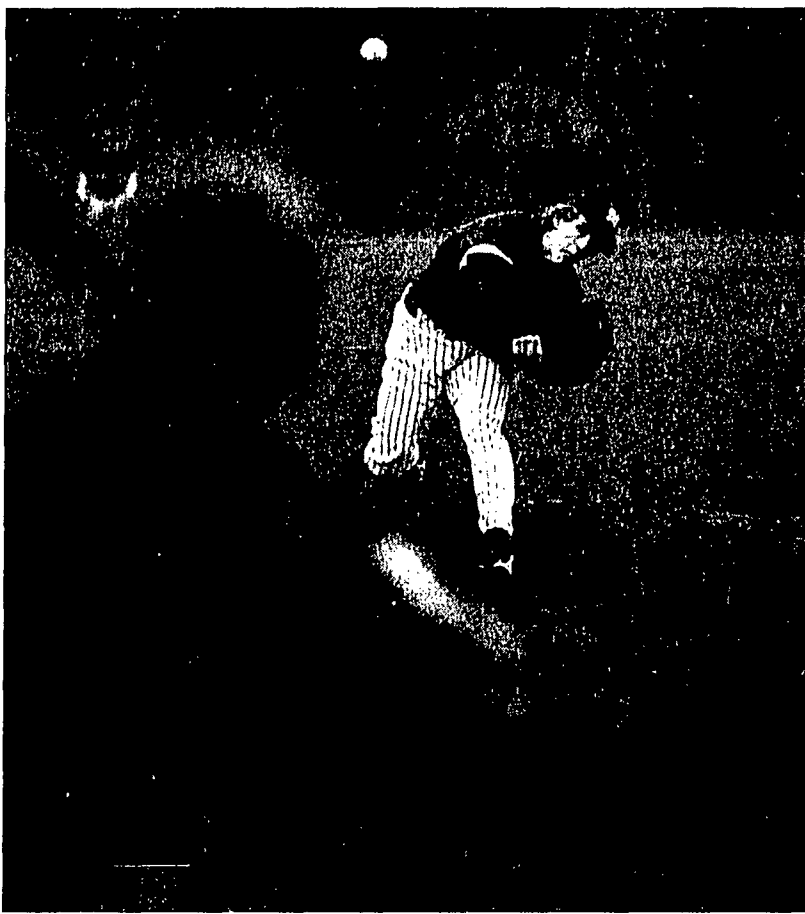
The 'Hounds took the 1-0 lead in the third inning off junior Joey Wilmes' RBI single to the warning track in left field, scoring junior Chad Hannigan.

Maryville added two runs scored by Herring and junior Evan Cleofil in the fifth inning en route to the 3-0 win.

The 'Hounds pounded out seven hits led by Hannigan's 2-3 outing and Cleofil's 2-2 showing.

Lewis was elated with his shut-out performance on the mound.

"It felt great," Lewis said. "I've had a week off from pitching, so it



Senior pitcher Mark Lewis hurls a pitch toward the plate in hopes of getting a Savannah batter out Tuesday at Beal Park. Maryville beat the Savages 3-0.

felt good to get back on the mound and throw again. Things just went my way last night, so I was lucky and thankful for that."

Considering the squad has only seen a ball diamond in the six games they have played, the defense has become a strong suit.

"I thought our defense was really good," Lohafer said. "Mitch Herring threw out two kids, which really helped us, and Joey Wilmes threw a kid out at the plate from center field that preserved a run. That was a big play."

Lewis added that the defense was on their game and was key in the shutout.

"Everyone stepped up last night," Lewis said. "My infield helped me out a lot. They all had some great stops. I would start out

the play, but they would always finish it for me."

The 'Hounds could not avenge a March 24 loss to 2A state champion St. Pius X, falling to the Warriors 5-2 Friday for the second time this season.

A six-hit, six-run first inning sparked Maryville to an 8-5 win over Lafayette Thursday.

The 'Hounds hope to extend the winning streak and enter the conference season on a terror

"We're on a winning streak now," Lewis said. "We hope to continue that. Our hitting is starting to come alive, and our fielding has been great, so if we can keep that up I think we'll win some ball games."

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Maryville track and field

Boys crowned Neb. City Invite champs

By ASHLEE ERWIN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Maryville track teams hope to carry the momentum from Tuesday's Nebraska City Invitational into Friday's Chillicothe Relays.

The boys won the Nebraska City meet and the girls placed third overall. Senior Eric Goudge said the teams are ready to face some conference competition in Hornet Country Friday.

"There's going to be a lot more conference schools at Chillicothe," Goudge said. "We'll see how we're doing against them."

The boys won Tuesday's meet placing in every event except one. Head coach Paul Read said that kind of team effort is what wins meets.

"Just because you don't get first doesn't mean you're not contributing to the team," Read said. "The real key points were the third, fourth and fifth places that we had."

Senior Zac Hennegun was a double event winner in the shot put and discus. He won both events by recording personal best throws in his final tosses. Senior Eric Goudge joined Hennegun in the winner's circle in the 300-meter hurdles. He also placed third in the triple jump with a leap of 39-feet, 5 1/2 inches. Junior Cody Purdy followed Goudge in the 300-meter hurdles in second place.

Junior Paul Otte won the 100-meter dash in 11.40 seconds and placed second in the 200-meter dash. Freshman Jared Renfro and sophomore Derek Garrett placed second and fourth respectively, behind Otte in the 100-meter dash.

Other finishes included senior Steve Morrison, third in the long jump; senior Jon Akins, third in the high jump; the 400-meter and weight men's relays, first; 1600-meter relay, second and the 3200-meter relay, third.

The eight-team Nebraska City meet was the first large meet for the girls, and despite the cold the 'Hounds still managed to record some high finishes.

Junior Sudi Sutton placed second in both the 100 and 300-meter hurdles. Head coach Jennifer Cholensky said Sutton's aggressiveness helped her succeed.

"She's just a competitor," Cholensky said. "She went out pretty hard and competed against the other bigger schools."

Senior Dana Lade finished second in her season debut in the triple jump with a leap of 32-feet, 4 1/2-inches.

"I hadn't jumped since the middle of last season," Lade said. "I felt pretty good about it."

Lade also placed fourth in the 300-meter hurdles. Junior thrower Hailey Lawyer continued to place high, tossing her way to a third-place finish in both the shot put and discus.

Cholensky said she was impressed by sophomore Laura Prokes' performance in the 400-meter dash. Prokes ran a season-best 1:03.40 to place second.

"She really pushed against another girl, so that made her perform pretty well," Cholensky said.

Other finishers included junior Erin McClaughlin, fifth in the high jump and sixth in the triple jump; sophomore Alexis Townsend, sixth in the 400-meter dash; and junior Katy Otte, sixth in the 3200-meter run. The 400-meter relay placed fifth, and the weight relay, run by the throwers, placed second.

Maryville is looking ahead to Friday's meet at Chillicothe.

"Chillicothe is a very competitive meet," Cholensky said. "The kids really like to compete against them."

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National Invitational Tournament

Crimson Tide falls short in NIT title game

By NICK PARSONS
THE CRIMSON WHITE (U. ALABAMA)

(U-WIRE) NEW YORK - Alabama had one goal entering the 2000-2001 men's basketball season: Make the NCAA Tournament.

So when the NCAA selection committee left the Crimson Tide (25-11) out of the field of 65, Bama was obviously disappointed.

Instead of deflating like a hot air balloon, the Crimson Tide made the best of its circumstances, rolling to a second place finish in the TiVo National Invitation Tournament.

"(Not making the NCAA Tournament) was a disappointment, but I

feel like this season really wasn't a disappointment," Alabama sophomore guard Terrance Meade said.

"If you look at last year we only had 13 wins and this year we had 25. That's a 12-win difference. We lost on an ending note in the NIT, but last year we didn't even get into the postseason."

The NIT Final pit Bama against the Tulsa Golden Hurricane. After jumping out 11-5, Tulsa turned up its defensive pressure igniting a 30-9 run that Alabama could never answer.

Though not the original goal, Alabama may have learned more

from the five-game run through the NIT than from a conceivable first or second round exit had they made the NCAA Tournament.

Gottfried himself found plenty of positives in the Tide's accomplishments.

"They had a great, great run," Gottfried said. "They improved from 13 wins to 25 wins, spent 10, 11, 12 weeks in the Top 25, and other than a two-week stretch at the end of the season never lost two games in a row. There's so many things about this season that are positive, and that's what to be feeling when they walk out of here."

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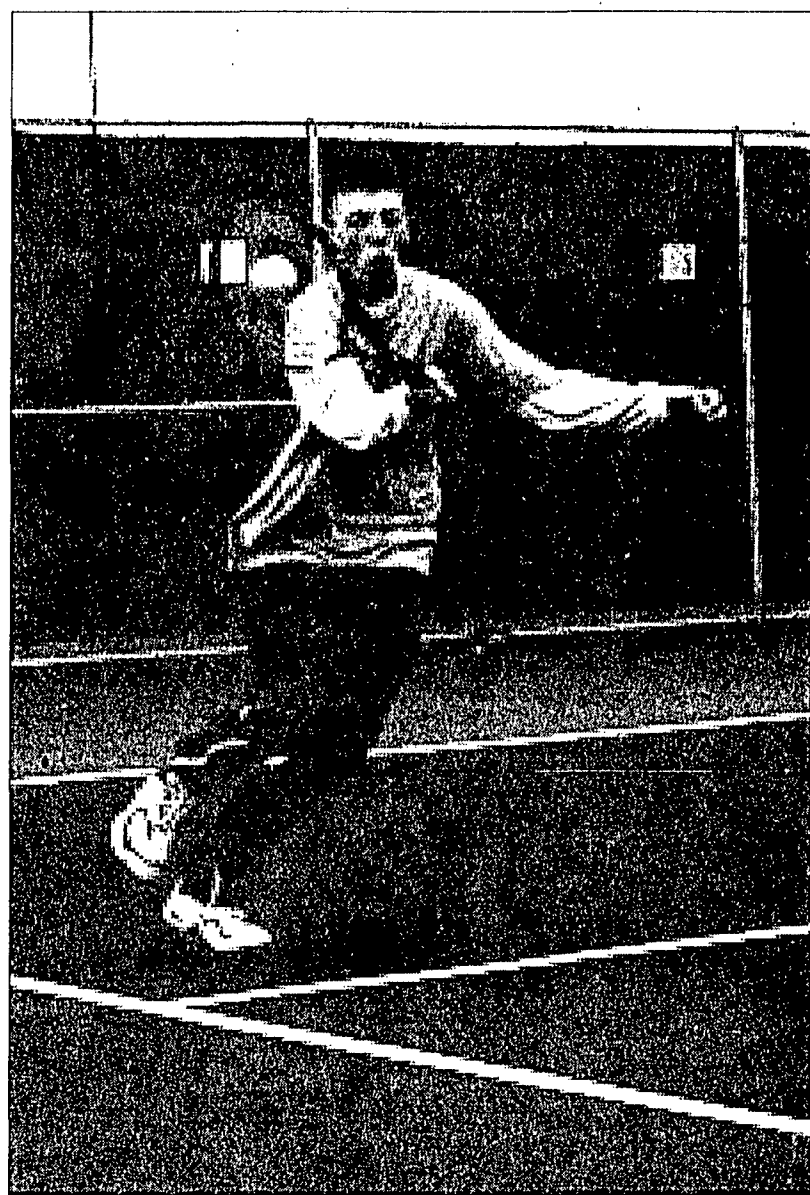


PHOTO BY MATT POWELL/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER
Freshman Keaton Guess returns a shot during Tuesday's dual with St. Joseph Bishop LeBlond. The 'Hounds will be back in action on Thursday facing off against Benton.

Maryville boys' tennis

Young team of netters looks to gain experience

By BILL KNUST
UNIVERSITY SPORTS EDITOR

With only two returning players from last year's team, the Maryville boys' tennis team is looking to improve from match to match.

Sophomores Kellen Nelson and Anthony Stiens are the two returning players from last year's 'Hounds tennis team.

Nelson plays No. 1 singles and Stiens holds down the No. 2 spot.

Along with four new players is new coach Rob Veasey. Veasey played for the Northwest men's tennis team from 1986-89.

He won three straight sixth flight titles in the MIAA Championship singles competition. In 1987 he finished second in the conference singles competition and almost broke Northwest's single season win record of 26, when he notched 24 wins of his own.

No. 4 singles player freshman Anthony Ferry said Veasey is a good coach.

"He brings a lot of experience to the courts," Ferry said.

No. 5 singles player freshman Keaton Guess agreed with Ferry.

"Coach helps us out a lot," Guess said. "He has played the game before and he was very good."

Northwest tennis coach Mark Rosewell, who coached Veasey said

he was an outstanding player for the Bearcats in the '80s.

The team still has a lot of work to do though.

The 'Hounds dropped all nine matches to LeBlond on Tuesday.

Nelson fell to Ryan Dadolski 8-3, Stiens fell to Ben Saverino 8-5, freshman Hanno Siemer lost to Clayton Sanger 8-2, Ferry lost to Jacob Hersheve 8-0, Guess lost to Sean Cortez 8-1 and freshman Adam Messner lost to Casey Parsioff 8-1.

Maryville also dropped all three doubles matches.

Despite the tough outings the netters have had this year, their attitudes have remained positive so far.

"This is a lot of the guys' first year, even though we lose it is still a lot of fun," Ferry said.

Guess and Ferry said the team's goals were to improve from the first matches to the last.

They even were optimistic about seeking out that first win of the year.

"That's our big goal I think," Ferry said. "We want to win at least one match this year."

The netters are back in action at 4 p.m. Thursday against Benton at home.

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RESULTS- LeBlond 9, Maryville 0 At Maryville

SINGLES- Ryan Dadolski (L) def Kellen Nelson 8-3, Ben Saverino (L) def Anthony Stiens 8-5, Clayton Sanger (L) def Hanno Siemer 8-2, Jacob Hersheve (L) def Anthony Ferry 8-0, Sean Cortez (L) def Keaton Guess 8-1, Casey Parsioff (L) def Adam Messner 8-1
DOUBLES- Dadolski/Saverino def Nelson/Stiens 8-5, Hersheve/Cortez def Siemer/Ferry 8-6, Sanger/Andy Gardner def Guess/Messner 8-2

MARYVILLE BOYS' TENNIS SCHEDULE

4/9	Cameron	4 p.m.
4/10	Shenandoah	4 p.m.
4/12	St. Pius	4:30 p.m.
4/17	Lafayette	4 p.m.
4/19	Benton	4 p.m.
4/23	Savannah	4 p.m.
4/26	Savannah/Benton	9 a.m.
4/28	Chillicothe tourn.	9 a.m.
4/30	Leblond	4 p.m.
5/1	Clarinda	4 p.m.
5/3	Conference	9 a.m.
5/7	Chillicothe	4:30 p.m.
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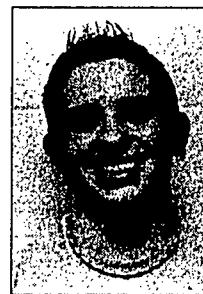
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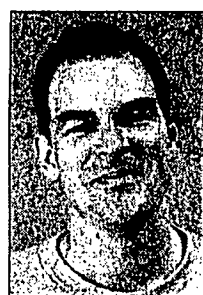
"When Gary Williams coached Maryland to their first ever Final Four." **Chris Brown** Biology/psychology major



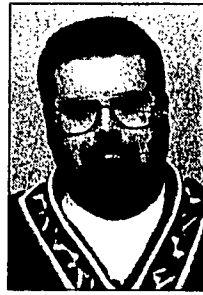
"When Southwest Missouri State beat Duke, because I was in Springfield the weekend they won." **Jana Hanson** Maryville resident



"When Clarence Gilbert hit the last second shot to beat Georgia in the first round." **Jeff Hagan** Undecided



"My wife and I do brackets every year and this year I beat her." **Loren Butler** Physical education instructor



"When Mike Dunleavy Jr. made three three-pointers in a 46 second range to seal the deal." **Jeff Reed** Maryville resident

NCAA tournament

Blue Devils return to crazed campus for celebration at Cameron Indoor

By KEVIN LEES
THE CHRONICLE (DUKE U.)

(U-WIRE) DURHAM, N.C. - For the third time in four days, Duke students packed Cameron Indoor Stadium to cheer on their basketball team.

This time it was not to cheer during a game, but rather to welcome back the national champions.

"I used to have a case of 1991-92 envy," sophomore David Lang said. "The class of 1992 — how lucky were those guys?"

"It's a honor to cheer for these guys. They're a joy to watch and I am proud of them. I'm proud to be a Duke student today. No one can be a better representative of what Duke stands for."

Fans, which this time included faculty, employees and Durham residents in addition to students, packed Cameron starting as early as 12:30 p.m. Tuesday in anticipation of a 2:15 p.m. rally.

After a brief introduction by Duke president Nan Keohane, Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski addressed the crowd to claps and cheers of encouragement, standing in front of a banner that read "Welcome Home NCAA Champs!"

"It's obvious someone put something in your iced tea today," Krzyzewski joked as the crowd went through a rendition of cheers for

each individual player.

"It's been an amazing season," he said. "The season would not come to an end until we all met as a team."

Krzyzewski noted the banners hanging from the rafters and added that with the five championships Duke won this season — the pre-season NIT, the ACC regular season, the ACC tournament, the NCAA East Regional and Monday night's national championship — students should be proud of the job Duke's team has done.

"After you graduate, whenever you come into this amazing, amazing place, you'll see No. 1 banners, ACC banners, national championship 2001," Krzyzewski said. "I hope all of you feel, 'that's what my team did.'"

Meanwhile on the court and in the stands, students celebrated the championship, some by cheering, some by laughing and some by dancing as members of the band played familiar fight songs and cheerleaders took to the stage to keep fans going.

In addition to Krzyzewski and the team, fans got their first introduction to the newest member of the Krzyzewski clan, the coach's second grandson, Michael.

Krzyzewski treated the fans to a first-hand account of the last min-

utes of Monday's game, as he noted player after player and each player's contributions.

The captains of the team also spoke briefly to the crowd. Senior Shane Battier, who walked into Cameron holding the national championship trophy, could not help but gloat a little in front of the fans.

"Last time we had the chance to speak to the crowd, we still had a few things to accomplish. I hate to say it, 'We told you so.'"

His words sparked another round of cheers from the crowd as Krzyzewski returned to the podium. He was subsequently followed by a string of other players after fans clamored for them.

Jason Williams, the NABC player of the year, addressed fans to cheers of "Two more years."

"All I can say is I love you guys," an elated Williams said. "I'm just glad we brought the championship back where it needs to be."

Mike Dunleavy, whose 46-second nine-point blitz against Arizona gave Duke its first sizable lead, addressed the crowd.

Krzyzewski could not help but take a poke at critics.

"I don't lie," the coach of 21 years said. "They thought that was it — it wasn't. It was the beginning of us becoming a great basketball team."

Northwest track and field

Tracksters gearing up for Bearcat Invite Saturday

Invitational will bring together 20 teams

By JUSTIN BUSH
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After being out of competition for two weeks, the Northwest men's and women's track teams will be back in action on their home track Saturday at the Bearcat Invitational.

"The 'meet' has been going on for at least 25 years, because they have been having it ever since I started coaching here," said Richard Alsop, men's head coach.

The Bearcat's coaches look at the home meet as an advantage.

"Anytime you don't have to get up early and drive two or three hours to go to a meet, it really helps," Alsop said. "Getting an hour or more of sleep the day of a meet certainly helps."

Every year 15 to 20 teams come from all over the region to compete.

"Our teams are ready to compete," said Vicki Wooton, women's head coach. "This will be a good

indication of where we are physical and what areas we need to improve on. We will be stronger in the sprints and should score well in the field events as well."

The invitational is the 'Cats' only home meet of the season and gives the athletes a chance to compete in front of a home crowd.

"An advantage for us should be more fan support," Wooton said. "It is chance for our athletes to run and compete in front of their peers, and it is good motivation for them."

VICKI WOOTON
WOMEN'S HEAD TRACK COACH

Sophomore Jenny Simmons hopes for a good turnout in the stands.

"We had a lot of people go to nationals on the guys' side and a lot of girls that qualified provisionally," Simmons said. "It will be a good meet to watch, because there will be a lot of good teams there and that will make for good competition."

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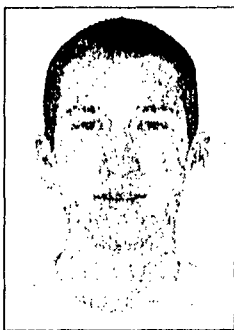
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Stars elevate women's hoops



BRENT C. WAGNER
COMMUNITY SPORTS EDITOR

the heroes and stars the respect they deserve?

Was this year's women's NCAA tournament one for the ages?

Pencil it in ladies and gentlemen. Stiles, Jackie Stiles. This Southwest Missouri State University 23-year-old basketball phenom may have taken the college ladies game to the next level.

She has made fans out of critics of the women's game. They don't even compare the 5-foot-8 guard to great women's players anymore. She has joined a class with the big boys.

Her hometown of Claflin, Kan., population 630, lacking a spotlight and McDonald's, is being compared with the likes of Boston Celtic legend Larry Bird and French Lick, Ind. It is the town where she made, yes tickled the nylon 1,000 times a day, not just shot 1,000 shots a day. A high school gymnasium there still talks of the night Stiles scored 71 points in one game.

They compare her to the master, saying she's Pistol Pete Maravich with a ponytail. Yes, that's men's basketball star and Louisiana State University alum Pistol Pete.

"I don't think Pistol Pete Maravich could shoot like that, and I saw him in person," said former Baylor head coach Sonja Hogg. "People would have to see her to believe her."

In the month of March they have seen, and there is no doubt they believe.

Talk about a following, 5,000 fans converged on the Savvis Center in St. Louis for Southwest Missouri State's shoot around before the Fi-

nal Four to watch the goddess of basketball shoot the roundball.

Her hoops resume compliments the great shot, outstanding defense, flawless passing and pure hustle and love of the game we saw on the hardwood.

Stiles is an All-American, the career and season scoring leader in NCAA women's basketball history, and the nation's leading scorer at 30.7 points a contest.

You could say the hours in the driveway paid off. She is a 57-percent shooter from the field, 89-percent from the charity stripe and 49-percent from downtown.

The critics said it was luck and poor competition when she burned the University of Northern Iowa for 49 points and the University of Iowa for 39 points this season.

But when the big dance came she silenced the critics and led her team to the Final Four. How about 32 points in a 60-57 upset of Rutgers University, 41 points in the 81-71 upset of No. 1 Duke University or 32 points in a 104-87 rout of the University of Washington that sent the Lady Bears on a 'March to the Arch.'

"I don't think the college game has had a player of this impact since Sheryl Swoopes in 1994," said Seattle Storm coach Lin Dunn said.

Stiles got this sports writer to set the VCR for her Final Four game Friday night to see what all the talk was about. Sure, she was keyed on by one of the greatest defenses in the game, Purdue University, and held to 22 points as her personal and team's season-long joy ride came to an end, but you had to figure she would run out of steam sometime. I mean she has only taken around four million jumpers in her days.

Watching that semi-final game to see the star everyone had been talking about, showed us some other shining basketball faces. Purdue All-American Katie Douglas poured in 25 points, her 35th career double-double. They compared this left-handed backcourt player's natural basketball skills to former Chicago Bulls MVP Michael Jordan. She gave us one of the most memorable moments in sports and the biggest smiles the game has seen.

Douglas dribbled between her legs, jumped from just beyond the

arc, and swoosh. Heading back on defense, the face of the Boilermakers' star lit up as she shook her head in disbelief. Her dream was coming true. She was headed to the National Championship game.

New stars were thrown into the spotlight and are sure to dazzle us for years to come. The Purdue freshman tandem of Shalicia Hurns and Shereka Wright teamed to score 34 points and pull down 17 rebounds in their 68-66 loss to the University of Notre Dame in the title game.

Just think of the strides continuing to be made in women's athletics. In 1971, Notre Dame did not allow women's athletics. On Sunday night, they won their first national championship.

Fighting Irish center senior Ruth Riley owned the paint in the big dance, scoring 139 points in six tournament games, including a pair of free throws with 5.8 seconds left in the title game to win the crown.

Notre Dame star and Final Four hometown hero Niele Ivey had a career night with 12 points, six rebounds and six steals, leaving her childhood playground with a smile the size of the Arch.

The 2001 class is expected to be the best since the league was created in 1997. The new interest in college basketball will aid the WNBA charge toward the forefront of professional athletics, but I'm afraid the fight will only be for last place in between the WNBA and the NFL.

"She may be the most exciting thing to happen to the game in 10 years," Houston Comets coach Van Chancellor said.

Yes, it was one of the most exciting women's Final Four in recent history, one not soon forgotten.

The likes of Stiles, Douglas and Riley brought a new impression and respect to the game.

We sent four-year stars into the sunset and welcomed new names to the dance, knowing they would soon return.

Hey, if little Jackie Stiles from Claflin, Kan., can do it, why not any little girl? Reach for the stars, dream the impossible dream, and it might just come true.

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SPORTS IN SHORT

Northwest releases final 2001 Football schedule

The Northwest football team has announced its schedule for the 2001 season:

8/30 at Nebraska-Omaha	7 p.m.
9/8 Minnesota State-Mankato	1:30 p.m.
9/15 at Missouri-Rolla	1:30 p.m.
9/22 Southwest Baptist	1:30 p.m.
9/29 Washburn	1:30 p.m.
10/6 at Missouri Southern	7 p.m.
10/13 at Pittsburg State	2 p.m.
10/20 Truman State	2 p.m.
10/27 at Central Missouri State	1:30 p.m.
11/3 Missouri Western	1 p.m.
11/10 Emporia State	1 p.m.

Maryville freshmen place fourth at Lafayette meet

The Maryville boys' and girls' freshman track teams finished fourth at the St. Joseph-Lafayette Freshman Relays Friday.

Megan Dennis led the 'Hound girls by placing first in the 100-meter dash and second in the 200-meter dash. Cathy George took sec-

ond-place in the high jump.

Third-place honors went to Kara Adams in the 300-meter low hurdles, Hallie Blackney in the shot put and the 800-meter relay team.

Nate Cracraft led the boys by placing first in the high jump and second in the 400-meter dash. Travis Smith placed second in the 800-meter run, and third in the long jump. Jared Renfro won the 100-meter dash and Jon Hanna placed fifth in the 1600-meter run. The 400-meter relay team of Zach Nichols, Smith, Cracraft and Renfro took third.

Akins, Saisbury sign commitment to Bearcats

Northwest head football coach Mel Tjeerdsma announced the signing of two high school seniors to national letters of intent.

Jon Akins of Maryville and Donnie Saisbury of Helena, Mont., have both committed to play football at Northwest. The 6-foot-3-inch, 210-pound Akins was an all-district and all-conference performer at Maryville High School. He will play either tight end or outside linebacker for the Bearcats.

Saisbury, a 6-foot, 208-pound running back was a two-time all-

state performer at Helena Capital High School. Capital High School won back-to-back state championships the past two seasons, never losing a game during that span.

Sanchez given tennis player of the week honor

Northwest's Jon Sanchez was named MIAA tennis player of the week for the week of March 18-24.

Sanchez, a 5-foot-1 sophomore from Bilbano, Spain posted a 4-0 mark in No. 2 singles for the Bearcats last week, three of which were three-set affairs. He rallied from a first-set bagel to post a 0-6, 6-3, 6-2 win over Josh Hixon of Oral Roberts (Okla.) on March 19. That was followed up the next day with a 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 win over Central Oklahoma's Christian Bigalowski.

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Home games

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Northwest Softball		Missouri Southern 2:30 p.m.	Pittsburg State 12 p.m.			Truman State 2:30 p.m.	
Northwest Track and Field			Northwest Invitational				
Northwest Tennis	St. Louis University (W) 2 p.m.		Jefferson Junior College (M) 3 p.m.	Southern Illinois (M&W) 9 a.m.		Washburn University (M&W) 3 p.m.	Northern Michigan (W) 3 p.m.
Maryville Baseball	Cameron 4:30 p.m.					Chillicothe 4:30 p.m.	
Maryville Track and Field		Chillicothe 2 p.m.				Pike Relays 4 p.m.	
Maryville boys' golf	Benton/Savannah 4:30 p.m.				Chillicothe 4 p.m.	Shenandoah 4 p.m.	
Maryville girls' soccer	Lafayette 4 p.m.					North Kansas City 4:30 p.m.	

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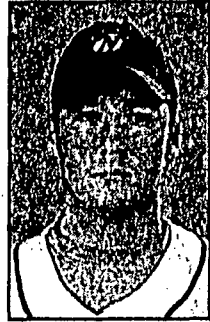
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By ANN BRADY
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Student Employment Week is dedicated to saying thanks for all the hard work student employees provide for the University.

Director of Student Employment Tina Coffelt said Student Employment Week is a time when the University formally recognizes employees and the services they provide.

"It is very important for student employees to have the affirmation of their employer," Coffelt said.

The University is having a reception at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at the Conference Center to honor all student employees and announce the Student Employee of the Year. There will also be a trivia contest and refreshments at the reception.

Different departments at the University planned activities for student employees throughout the week. Annete Hill, supervisor of Student Services, said the department has had different treats such as doughnuts and pizza parties.

Student employees are an indispensable asset to the University, Hill said.

"We couldn't survive without the student employees," Hill said.

The Financial Aid Office has been doing activities with a "Survivor" theme this week, said student employee Erin Wallace. Every day this week the employees have been given clues for fun challenges and tasks to form tribes and other activities. One day gummy candies of bears and other animals were placed around the office for employees to find. Another day the students fished for Goldfish crackers placed in plastic wrap out of a tub.

Glenn Morrow, facility manager of Owens Library, said the library provided goodie bags for the student employees and posted all the employees' pictures on the wall to provide recognition.

Between 950 and 1,000 students are employed during the fall and spring at Northwest. Students are employed all over campus in all departments. The departments that employ the most students are Residential Life, Owens Library, Student Publications and the Recreation Center, Coffelt said.

There are many benefits for students to work on campus, Coffelt said. Some of these benefits include flexible hours, and departments try to work with a student's class schedule. Coffelt said other advantages include networking with people in other departments on campus and the ability to find out about different programs throughout the University.



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Megan Prescott, student assistant, and Josette Waters, diversity assistant, tackle their daily work in the Intercultural and International Center in the Union. A reception will be held today at 3:30 p.m. in the University Conference Center to announce the Student Employee of the Year.

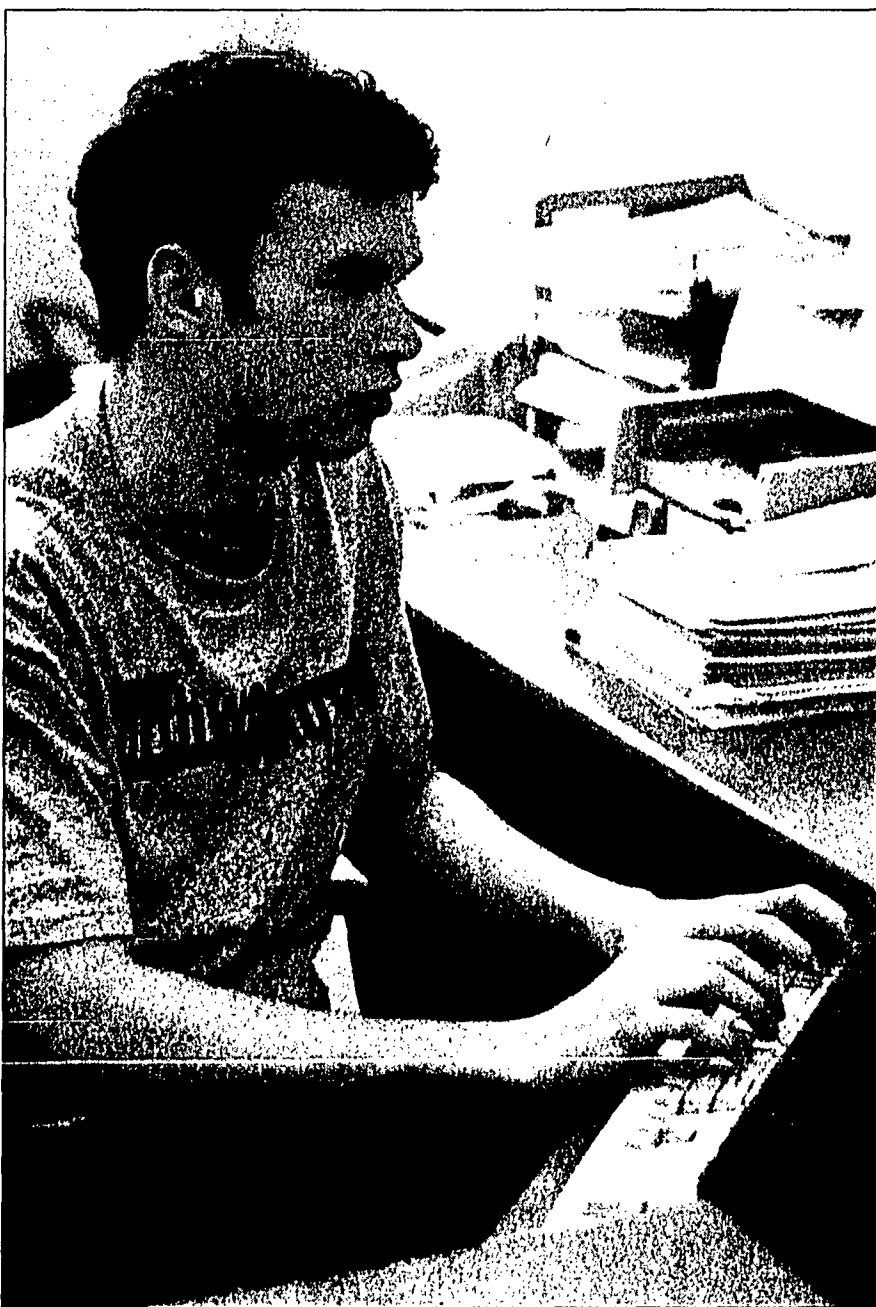


PHOTO BY MATTHEW POWELL/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER
Jordan Elbert, history major, works in the Administration Building. Student employees are allowed to work up to 20 hours a week for the University. Departments planned special activities and recognition for their workers during the week.



PHOTO BY MELISSA PETERSON/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Ira Oliver and Kelly Theory make wraps for students at Wraps in the Student Union. The Union houses several of Northwest's student employees, but the departments that employ the most students are Owens Library, Residential Life, Student Publications and the Recreation Center.

Employee of the Year

Library assistant fills role of 'dedicated employee'

By LAURA PEARL
CHIEF REPORTER

Although he spends his days tucked behind a cubicle in a section of the Library labeled "library personnel only," he will be singled out as a campus leader.

Brian Swink, technical services assistant at the library, will be recognized as Northwest's Student Employee of the Year at the annual student employee reception Thursday afternoon.

Swink, who has worked at the library for six trimesters, spends his days doing an assortment of computer-related tasks as well as odd jobs such as filing and unpacking book shipments. Adding books to the library web page for online catalogue searching is one of the key tasks Swink performs on a regular basis.

Although Swink brought computer experience to the job, his future is not in this area of employment. He is a senior elementary education major and is preparing to student teach at Eugene Field Elementary School during the fall 2001 trimester.

During the 20 hours per week Swink spends at the library, he fills the role of dedicated employee to a tee, said Madonna Kennedy, head

librarian for technical services and supervisor for the areas of acquisitions and technical services Swink serves.

"Brian, from the very beginning, was everything we wanted in a student worker," Kennedy said. "He's very enthusiastic and a hard worker. He's very accurate and could do anything we gave him to do."

Swink said he will be working at the library during the summer 2001 trimester, his second year working summers at the library, and he hopes to work afternoons during his student teaching trimester.

"I like the work, because it requires detail," Swink said. "If I screw up a bar code, someone can't find a book, and I guess this kind of makes my position feel important and needed."

Swink was drawn to more than just the tasks greeting him each day at the library, however.

"For a lot of people, I guess it would be a really boring job, because I don't see a lot of students back here or answer phones or anything," Swink said. "It's really kind of peaceful though."

The quiet, small-town atmosphere at Northwest is part of what drew Swink to Northwest. Swink's roots are in the 1,000 person com-

munity of Drexel. His brother, Doug, came to Northwest and worked at the library during part of his stay from 1990 to 1995.

Swink followed his brother's path, and has no regrets.

"The people here are really fun," Swink said. "I just look forward to coming and visiting with the people I work with each day. It's a big family back here."

Kennedy recognized Swink's success with his co-workers.

"He just seems to fit in very well," Kennedy said. "Everyone on the staff enjoys him. He's just one of the best students we've ever had. He's dependable, he takes initiative and he never complains."

And Swink appreciates having a positive, close environment to work in, because each hour he spends at work takes away from his family and study times. Swink has been married since the spring of 1999 and has a daughter, Anna, who will be two years old in June.

Kennedy said she admires the way Swink focused on his many responsibilities.

"He just handles that well," Kennedy said. "You can tell that he loves his little girl so much."

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Brian Swink, technical services assistant at B.D. Owens Library was voted as Northwest's Student Employee of the Year at Thursday's annual student reception. Swink has spent six semesters at the library and works on an assortment of computer-related tasks.

Team of the Year

Writing Center tutors team up

By LAURA PEARL
CHIEF REPORTER

Northwest will recognize the Writing Center's 15 student employees for exceptional teamwork at a reception Thursday afternoon.

The Center will be recognized as the Student Employee Team of the Year.

Ten undergraduate tutors and five graduate tutors make up the center's staff, providing a variety of resources for students seeking help with writing, said Ellen Kaler, English instructor and Writing Center coordinator.

"Many of them have cultivated a delightful sense of humor," Kaler said. "They have a lot of empathy, because they are going through some of the same time pressures and stresses that are on all students. In spite of that, I think they are all able to focus on their jobs and to put professional blinders on when dealing with their clients."

Sam Ferris, four-year graduate tutor at the Writing Center, said employees at the center work with students, free of charge, who want to improve their writing on any type of paper, and they assist students

taking English 110.

Kaler said the Writing Center held fast to two main purposes, or duties throughout the year.

"We try to teach students how to write better," Kaler said. "Really, we're tutoring students more than worrying about the quality of their papers. We also try to educate tutors to try to avoid taking over ownership of each paper."

Kaler sees the Center staff as an encouraging group of workers.

"It's really a non-threatening place to risk getting help, a second opinion," Kaler said.

Jenny Niese gives advice to Edith Veliz at the Writing Center Wednesday. The center will be recognized as the Student Employee Team of the Year at the annual student employee reception Thursday.



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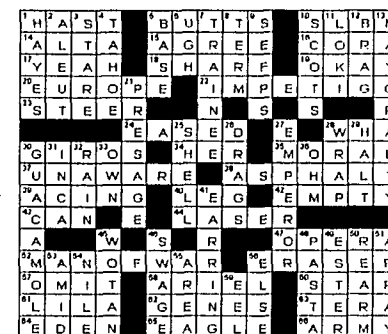
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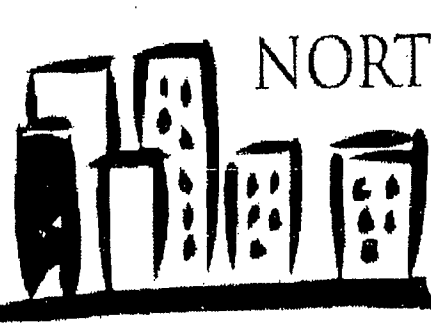
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to the Northwest
Cheerleading team
and the Bearcat
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NCA Competition!



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Residential Life

All of our candidates have shown great dedication during the Student Staff Selection Process. Congratulations to the following student leaders who have been selected as Academic Resource Consultants In-Hall (ARCHs), Desk Managers and Resident Assistants!

ARCHs:

Melissa Elliot
Jennifer Jose
Jeremy Meyer

Desk Managers:

Sara Begley
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Sara Painter
David Smith

Resident Assistants:

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Resident Assistants (cont)

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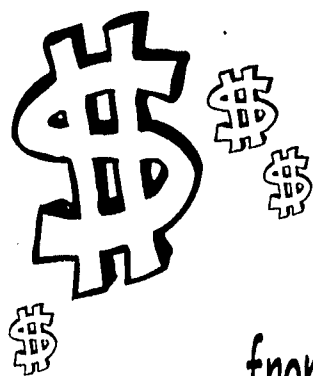
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Taylor Harness
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Sondra Nickerson
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Jenny Scott
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Catherine Skeen
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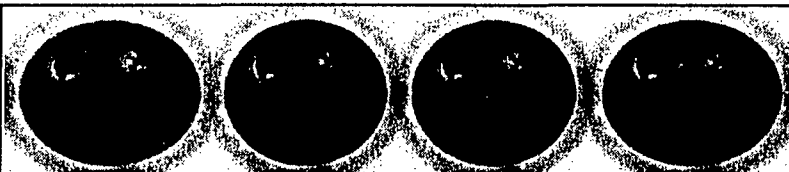
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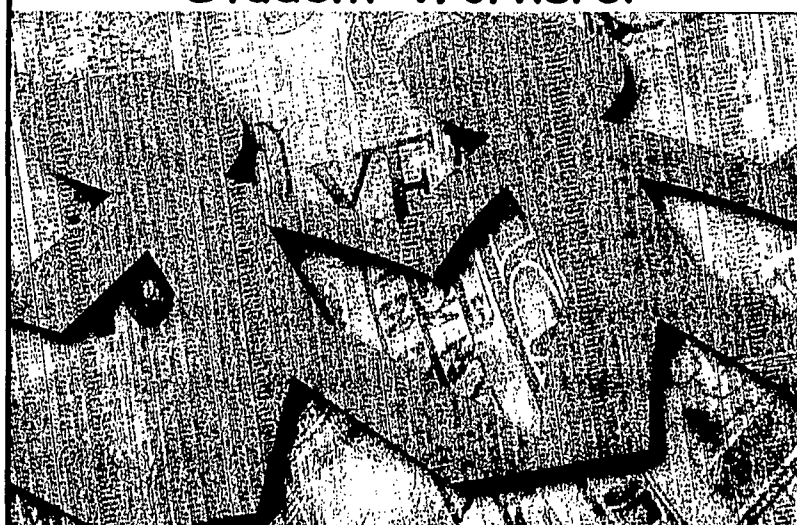
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Crystal McArdle

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from the Registrar's Office

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Thanks a lot for all your hard work that you have done this year!
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YOUR TIME AND EFFORTS
HAVE NOT GONE
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